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Foreign Office Official

MR. J. GREENWAY
HERE

A passenger of note arriving in the Corfu yesterday was Mr. John Greenway who has been sent out by the Foreign Office to take charge of the Embassy in Peking on behalf of the Charge d'Affaires, Mr. A. G. Howe, who will continue to reside in Shanghai.

After a distinguished career in many of the capitals of Europe—including Rome, Constantinople, Prague, Moscow, Bucharest, and also Rio de Janeiro, this will be Mr. Greenway's first visit to the Far East in an official capacity, although he states that he spent a delightful holiday here some six years ago as a guest in H.M.S. Cornwall.

Needless to say the charm of Peking made a lasting impression on Mr. Greenway and he is greatly looking forward to renewing his acquaintance with that ancient city of beauty and culture—even in these troubled times.

Mr. Greenway is a keen golfer, shot, and fisherman, and as an experienced linguist proposes to wrestle with the difficulties of the Chinese language.

Whether Mr. Greenway will be sent straight to Peking—or not—in these exceptional and ever-changing circumstances is a matter for conjecture, but wherever he goes his unusual charm and adaptability will do the utmost credit to Diplomatic circles.

PROTESTS TO SOVIET GOVERNMENT

Against Arrests Of
Japanese Nationals

Tokyo, Dec. 22.

Questioned by a foreign correspondent a spokesman of the Foreign Office said that the Japanese Government had made several protests to the Soviet Government regarding the arrests of Japanese nationals in Soviet territory. The spokesman said he received satisfactory answers to some cases but the



Houses wrecked in the Soochow City bombing by Japanese planes.

AIR CHIEF TO VISIT COLONY

SIR EDWARD ELLINGTON'S INSPECTION
TOUR

London, Dec. 22: Special importance is attached in political circles here to the inspection tour of the Near and Far East on which Air Chief Marshal Sir Edward Ellington, G.C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E., Inspector-General of the British Air Force, will start on Wednesday since it became known that he will also visit Hong Kong. Sir Edward will be accompanied by several members of his staff who will inspect the British air bases in North Africa, India and Singapore before going to Hong Kong. He will travel partly in commercial and partly in military planes.—Transocean News Service.

GENERAL YANG IS WELL

Hankow, Dec. 22.

Chinese reports to the effect that General Yang Hu, formerly Garrison Commander at Woosung, was executed here on charges of failing to carry out his duties, are officially denied. General Yang Hu is at present in Hankow, alive and well.—*Reuter*.

answers in most of the cases were unsatisfactory.—*Reuter*.

BITTER BATTLE NEAR HANGCHOW

Shanghai, Dec. 22.

A counter-offensive against the Japanese forces pressing on to Hangchow has been launched by General Chang Fah-kwei according to Chinese reports. Gen. Chang is stated to have 100,000 troops in the field and bitter fighting is progressing. Meanwhile Japanese troops advancing up the Tientsin-Pukow Railway are besieging Chanpuling, 33 miles north-west of Pukow. The Chinese are erecting strong defence works southward of Pengpu where according to reports they are making a strong attempt to check the advancing Japanese whose objective is Hsuehowtu at the junction of the Tientsin-Pukow and Tientsin-Lunghai Railways.—*Reuter*.

SIAM'S CABINET

Bangkok, Dec. 22.

The Siamese Cabinet was reconstituted with only one change in members, this being the Minister of Justice.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service*.

THE DOLLAR

T.T. ON NEW YORK: 30-15/16
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London Silver Market

(From Our Own Correspondent).

London, Dec. 22.
London silver prices to-day were down 3/16 for "Spot" and 1/16 for "Forward," as follows:
Dec. 21. Dec. 22.
Spot.....18-7/8 18-11/16
Forward.....18-9/16 18-1/2

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SPASMODIC LOOTING IN TSINGTAO

City Defences
Ready

Tsingtao, Dec. 22.

Despite executions designed to discourage the practice there was spasmodic looting during the night. Some of the Japanese property was set on fire including dormitories connected to mills. The situation to-day is a little quieter and the change is attributed to the resignation of the Commissioner of Police and his replacement by the Deputy Commissioner.

Meanwhile the Chinese authorities who have been fortifying the city in every possible way for the past three months are satisfied with the results and say they intend to offer strong resistance if the Japanese attack. It is announced that curfew will be enforced between 7 p.m. and 5 a.m. until further notice.—*Reuter*.

OUR AMBULANCE BRIGADE

Critical Financial
Situation

It will come as a shock to many to learn that the St. John Ambulance Association and Brigade is languishing for lack of financial succour, and with the sustenance in hand can survive for a few months longer only. The situation is critical; the outlook ominous; suspension of service looms ahead.

It may not be generally known that the local Association and Brigade receive no financial support from our Headquarters in London, nor yet from public funds as other organisations do, but is entirely dependent upon the philanthropy of the charitably inclined. As memories are short it will not be out of place to enumerate some of the many free services given by members to the Colony—

- (a) Street Vaccination
- (b) Attendance at—Fires: Street accidents: Races: Processions: Collapses: Athletic meetings.
- (c) Lectures in First Aid: Home Nursing: Air Raid precautions.
- (d) An Ambulance service chiefly for the poor. Incidentally the sum received in donation from this source during 7 1/2 months amounts to \$500: its expenses are in the region of \$300.00 per month.
- (e) Clinics and maternity wards in the New Territory including the island of Cheung Chau where poverty is rife both amongst the villagers and the numerous refugees sheltering there, and where little work finds expression.

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SPANISH WAR

Fall of Teruel
Claimed

Barcelona, Dec. 22.

Heavy fighting is reported inside Teruel which Government last night claimed to have fallen into their hands. This morning's communiqué says that Government troops have taken the southern part of the city while insurgents are still resisting in the old section of the town, across the river.

Insurgent reports make no mention of the fall of the city but claim the Government attacks were repulsed and that they captured five tanks.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service*.

CHRISTMAS PARTIES

Military Hospital
Gathering

TWO FUNCTIONS
IN KOWLOON

A delightful Christmas party was given in No. 1 Ward of the Military Hospital, Bowen Road, by No. 27 Company, Royal Army Medical Corps, to a large gathering of children of Officers, Warrant Officers and Non-Commissioned Officers of the Company, and their wives. The ward was tastefully decorated.

The kiddies thoroughly enjoyed themselves and were kept in constant laughter by the antics and frolics of Staff-Sergeant Bridges and Sergeant Castelli, who very ably filled the roles of clowns, while the conjuring performance of Mr. Adamson was also very well received.

To the delight of the children "Santa Claus" appeared in a chariot in the midst of the party and presented Christmas gifts to each one of them.

Col. H. H. Blake, O.B.E., Assistant Director of Medical Services, China Command, and Mrs. Blake, and Lieut-Colonel C. Crawford Jones, Officer Commanding No. 27 Company, R.A.M.C., were among those present.

At the conclusion of the happy party, Col. Crawford Jones expressed thanks to the entertainers who had given so much delight to the children and concluded by conveying the season's greetings to the gathering.

KOWLOON DOCKS PARTY

Splendid Entertainment

A happy and successful function was held in the Reading Room of the Kowloon Docks Recreation Club yesterday afternoon when nearly 70 children attended the annual Christmas tree and tea party. The room was gaily decorated with coloured bunting while the centre of attraction was a tree beautifully dressed and fully laden with gifts which were later distributed to the children.

The function was splendidly arranged and in this respect great credit is due to Mr. J. Revie, Secretary of the K.D.R.C. The kiddies sat down to a sumptuous repast after which they gathered together to witness a delightful programme of entertainment provided by a party from H.M.S. Cumberland and Messrs. W. C. Simpson and J. O. M. Grenham, the popular local entertainers.

The children later received their presents from the tree at the hands of Santa Claus which role was admirably filled by Mr. Barry Parks.

PARTY FOR WOLF CUBS

The St. Andrew's Wolf Cub Pack held an enjoyable Christmas party in the grounds of St. Andrew's Church yesterday afternoon. Each member of the pack was presented with a gift.

OFFICERS IN DILEMMA

Expectant Mothers On
Capetown: No Doctor

Shanghai, Dec. 22: H.M.S. Capetown resumed her journey from Nanking this morning and was due at Kiangyin early this evening. The officers aboard are in a delicate dilemma as one of two expectant mothers among the passengers may give birth at anytime and there is no doctor on board. Permission has been asked for the mother and child to continue aboard the Capetown to Hong Kong as the child's condition hardly permits transfer to the tender at Woosung in this case. The doctor will board the Capetown at Woosung.—*Reuter*.

PROMPT ACTION BY NEW MINISTER

ATTACK ON
CUSTOMS
CRUISER

Britain Sends
Note To Japan

London, Dec. 22: It is understood that the British Government has presented a Note to the Japanese Government concerning the attack on the Chinese Maritime Customs cruiser Cha Hsing on December 11 in British waters near Hong Kong. A Japanese destroyer fired on the Customs cruiser just outside the three-mile limit and the latter immediately rushed back and was beached in the New Territories. Later two Japanese motorboats entered British waters and towed the cruiser away.—*Reuter*.

SHELLS ON BEACH

It will be recalled that, according to information to hand the cruiser Cha Hsing, which was commanded by Captain G. Cook, was fired on somewhere in the vicinity of Black Point, which is about two miles outside local waters. Captain Cook sought the safety of the Colony and beached his vessel at Yung Lung Wan, in Deep Water Bay, about two miles from Castle Peak in the New Territories. It was alleged that two shots fired in the course of the chase landed in British territory, and two 4.7 shells, unexploded, were later found by the police on the beach, definitely in British territory.

The crew of the cruiser, having beached their craft, walked towards Lung Ku-tan and as the cruiser was later sighted outside British waters proceeding under her own steam, it was believed the Japanese must have sent men in motor-boats to the beach, thereby entering the waters of the Colony, refloated her and sailed her off.

FUNERAL OF GEN. LUDENDORFF

Hitler Follows Cortege

Munich, Dec. 22.

Huge crowds lined the streets in the fog this morning to witness the state funeral of General Ludendorff. Chancellor Adolf Hitler, General Herman Goering and the commanders of the Army and Navy were among those who attended, walking slowly after the cortege.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service*.

RED ACTIVITIES IN JAPAN

MANY ARRESTED

Tokyo, Dec. 22.

Wholesale arrests of alleged radicals were made throughout Japan on December 15, following orders received from the Home Minister, Admiral Suetsugu, by the Police Board to suppress the Proletarian Party and the All Japan Council of Labour as well as the Farmers' Unions. The arrests were only revealed to-day following the lifting of the Press ban.

Raids were conducted in all parts of the country and three hundred people were taken into custody for allegedly engaging in red activities in violation of the peace preservation laws.

In Tokyo alone 108 persons were arrested while in seventeen other cities 282 people were taken into custody, among those arrested being several University professors, authors, publicists and pacifists.

The Home Minister ordered the drive only two days after his appointment in succession to Dr. Elich, Baba who resigned from the post owing to illness. Admiral Suetsugu is an ardent nationalist and was placed on the Navy retired list on October 15, last. There is now some talk of his being groomed for the next Premiership.—*Reuter*.

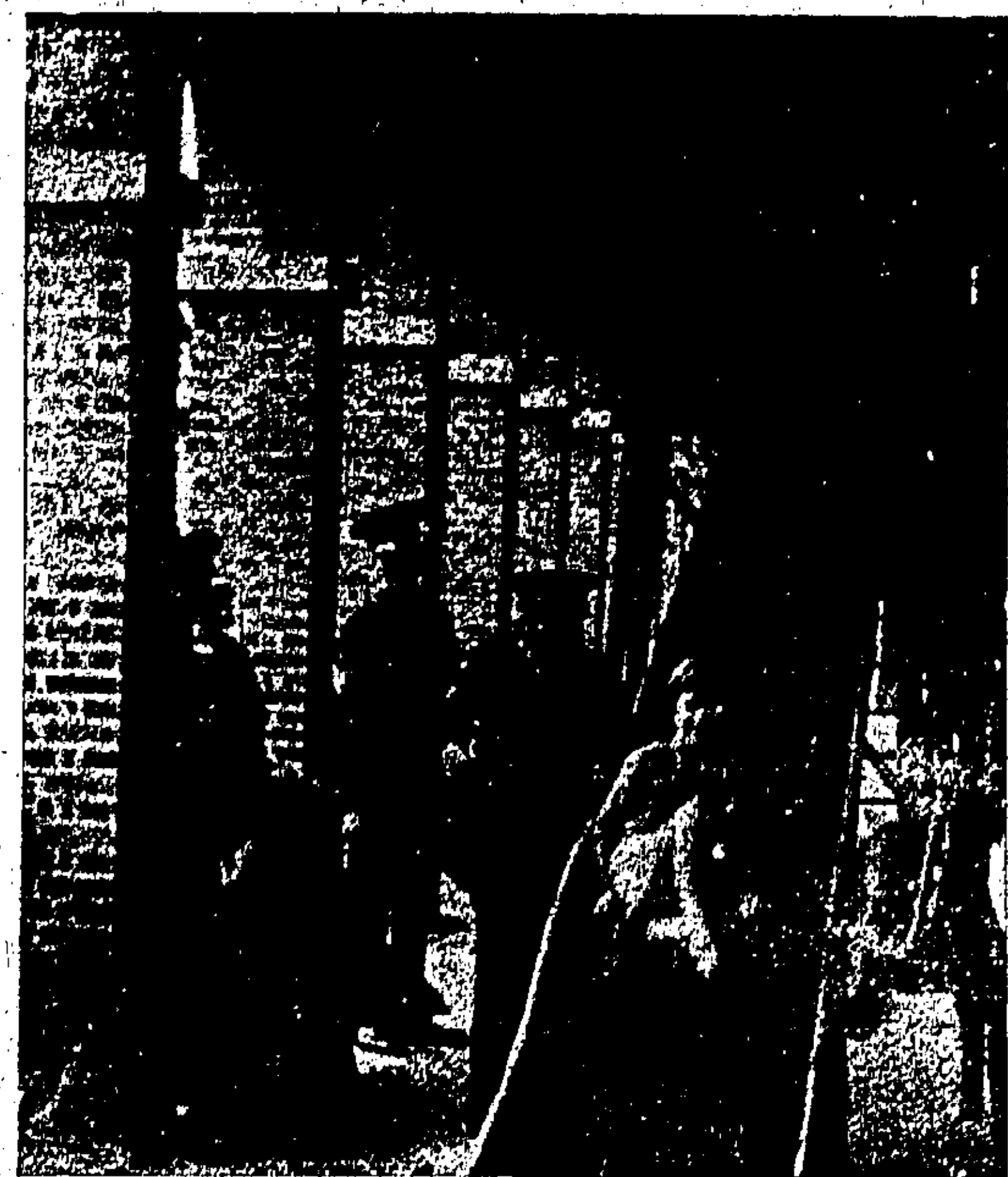
NEW ROAD WILL LINK CHINA WITH RUSSIA

Speeding Transport
Of Armaments

Shanghai, Dec. 22: Seven thousand labourers supervised by thousands of engineers and foremen are working day and night to build a 7,000-mile road linking Szechuen with Russia, according to Chinese reports.

From Szechuen the road will run to Lanchow, in Kansu province, through the Gobi Desert to Hami, in Sinkiang province, then on to Urumchi, also in Sinkiang, and then through to the Russian border.

When completed it will enable armaments to reach China from Russia in a fortnight instead of six months.—*Reuter*.



Picture taken at the children's Christmas party held at the Military Hospital, Bowen Road, yesterday afternoon. (Photo. Cheng Studio).

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SUMMING-UP "A MASTERPIECE"

K.C.'S Tribute To Mr.
Justice Swift

Sir Patrick Hastings, K.C., referred, in the Court of Appeal recently, to a summing-up by the late Mr. Justice Swift as "really a masterpiece."

Counsel was appearing for Mr. Walter Dunkels, a director of the Diamond Corporation, in the cross-appals arising out of his dispute with Baron Victor de Stempel, who married Mr. Dunkels' step-daughter.

The original action was heard in the King's Bench Division last February. On the baron's claim that Mr. Dunkels had wrongfully procured his dismissal from his employment with Dunkels and Co., diamond brokers, the jury assessed the damages at £6,000. Mr. Justice Swift entered judgment for the baron for that amount.

The jury also assessed the damages on the baron's claim for slander at £200. Mr. Justice Swift held that the words complained of were not actionable and gave judgment for Mr. Dunkels.

The baron appealed against this decision and Mr. Dunkels appealed against the award of £6,000 damages.

Mr. Norman Birkett, K.C., is leading counsel for the baron in the present appeals, the hearing of which was adjourned.

In his reference to Mr. Justice Swift's summing-up, Sir Patrick Hastings said:

"I do not think that I have ever read a more clear, impartial, concise and accurate summing-up. It is really a masterpiece. There is not a single thing in it which I or Mr. Birkett could have criticised as misdirection."

"BADGERED BY BOTH SIDES"
Continuing his argument for Mr. Dunkels, Sir Patrick referred to Mr. Otto Dunkels, his cousin, who had employed Baron de Stempel.

The evidence showed, declared counsel, that Mr. Otto Dunkels was all along prepared to fight for the baron.

Then Mr. Louis Oppenheimer, another director of the Corporation, intervened, and Mr. Otto Dunkels, being very worried, asked the baron to give him a written statement referring to the baron's baby son Michael so as to settle all the domestic trouble.

The baron refused, and thereupon Mr. Otto said: "If you will not do this for me I cannot do anything more for you, and I shall get rid of you."

Lord Justice Scott: Your point is that his act was wholly original on his part and that it was his own decision?

Sir Patrick: There is no evidence of any kind to the contrary.

"Poor Otto," continued Sir Patrick Hastings, "badgered by these people on both sides, was trying to do his best for them all."

Answering an observation from the Bench, Sir Patrick said that he thought the jury might have considered: "Here is, on one side, a rich man, and on the other a man exiled from Russia who has lost his wife and business and everything."

"Then," said counsel, "the parties had been outside the court trying to settle, and so the jury said: 'If you cannot settle the case, we will.' They settled it by giving the baron £6,000, which was £1,000 more than he had asked for."

Sir Patrick asked the court to say that there was not a shadow of evidence upon which the baron's action could be maintained.

"Where is there any evidence," he asked, "that Mr. Walter Dunkels, who was prepared to pay £5,000 for the baron to go, wanted Mr. Otto Dunkels to commit a breach of contract? I suggest, there is none at all."

MUI TSAI CHARGE

For keeping an unregistered mul-tai, a clerk of the Canton Government, Lo Wing-lin and his wife were each fined \$10 by Mr. K. Keen at the Kowloon Police Court yesterday when they pleaded guilty to the offence.

The mul-tai, named Ho Hing, aged 11, was extremely well-dressed and taken care of by the defendant.

Inspector H. W. Fraser of the Secretariat of Chinese Affairs, who prosecuted said that defendant went voluntarily to the nearest police station, and reported the facts to the authorities. The child was presented to the defendant by their relative and they brought her down to Hong Kong on December 17 on account of the present trouble prevailing in Canton. Mr. Fraser told the Court

SUBSCRIPTION RACKET

All Over Malaya

"There is nothing to be proud of in going round and exploiting charitable-minded people. Here is money which they are perfectly willing to give to a good cause and you are putting it into your pocket by sheer cheating," said Mr. Justice Horne at the Singapore Assizes when he sentenced Leong Seng Kim, an English-speaking married Chinese, to rigorous imprisonment totalling three and a-half years.

Inspector Goodship said that the racket of soliciting subscriptions allegedly for schools, in which accused was said to have been concerned, had been going on for some considerable period and extended even up country.

Leong Seng Kim was found guilty by an unanimous verdict of the common jury on indictments of dishonestly collecting \$1 and \$4 from a Chinese and a Malay and of giving a forged receipt to the Malay.

His Lordship described the case as "one of the most despicable forms of offences known."

CHANGING WATER PIPE SYSTEM

The Water Authority has suffered serious trouble and were put to much expense by the alteration of the water pipe system in the house at No. 545, Nathan Road, ground floor. The person responsible for this was Peter Chan, residing at No. 116, Prince Edward Road, and as a consequence of which he was summoned before Mr. K. Keen at the Kowloon Police Court yesterday for having on November 7, altered or caused to be altered the water service without the permit and consent of the Water Authority.

Defendant's mother appeared on his behalf and informed the Court that her son had gone up to Hankow to join the Red Cross Units and had no idea how long he would remain there. She added that she had no knowledge of how her son had caused the defects in the water services while repairing the system.

Mr. M. J. Abbott, Assistant Crown Solicitor, who represented the Water Authority asked the case to be adjourned until such time when P. Chan would come back to the Colony.

SENT TO THE SESSIONS

Lower Court proceedings in the committal case against So Huen, alias So Suen, alias P. C. So, aged 33, charged with forging a valuable security and with uttering a forged document, were concluded before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

The last hearing had been adjourned as defendant wished to call as witness, Lam Chuen-chi, the man who had originally been charged with him, and had been discharged. Yesterday Lam described how defendant had told him, some time near last Chinese New Year, that he needed several hundreds or a thousand dollars to pay accounts with, and how he (Lam) had negotiated the loan with a woman named Tam Shek-si. He also said he had seen a chop in use at the Yee Hop firm. This was the official chop and defendant had used it on documents which he (witness) had translated for him. In addition, he thought there would be another chop in the shop—a correspondence chop.

STATEMENTS CONTRADICTED
Under searching cross-examination by Mr. M. J. Abbott, Assistant Crown Solicitor conducting the prosecution, witness contradicted a few statements made by the defendant. He had originally spoken through the Court interpreter, but at the start of the cross-examination revealed that he knew English and thereafter answered questions put him directly. He was first warned by His Worship that he was not bound to reply to anything of an incriminating nature.

Following about an hour's cross-examination of this witness, defendant was asked whether he wished to call any further witnesses. He replied in the negative and was committed to stand his trial at the January Criminal Sessions.

that there was nothing that the authorities would like to complain about regarding the treatment of the child except that Lo, who was in the employ of the Canton Government, should know the regulations of the Colony.

NOT IN FIT STATE TO DRIVE

European Fined
\$100

Thomas Stanley Carruthers, who the magistrate (Mr. E. G. C. Barrett) described as not being in a fit state to drive, was fined \$100 for causing grievous hurt to Mr. James Hamilton, wireless operator on the Stalts Steamship vessel Kistna by negligent driving.

The accident occurred in Robinson Road, Singapore, on July 7. Medical evidence revealed that the accused smelt very strongly of alcohol. He was very unsteady on his feet, was excited and did not perform his tests satisfactorily.

As a result of the accident Mr. Hamilton was in hospital for 20 days.

The accused, in his defence, said that Mr. Hamilton suddenly crossed the road and the accident was unavoidable. The road was not well lit.

An order was made that the driving licence of the accused be suspended for six months.

Court Inspector Frew conducted the case for the prosecution and Mr. A. J. Braga appeared on behalf of the accused.

The accused had a previous conviction for a similar offence.

EXPULSION ORDER MADE

Five Americans and two Russians appeared before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday charged with breaches of the Passport Ordinance.

In the first case defendants were Frank Streh, 39; Elmer B. Asmusen, 34; John R. Agnew, 29; Jack H. Le Beau, 29; and Seymour Sohechter, 29. Sergeant Russell, prosecuting said defendants were members of the crew of the "s.s. President Hoover and had arrived in Hong Kong on the 16th. The Dollar Line Company had arranged for their repatriation to the United States by the s.s. President McKinley, which sailed on December 20.

First defendant missed the boat and the others left it as they did not consider the accommodation satisfactory. The Company now regarded the men as deserters but would arrange for them to go home on the s.s. President Cooke, sailing on December 31. If the police would see them off. The authorities were not pressing the case, but asked for an expulsion order.

Convictions were registered and expulsion orders made.

APPARENTLY DESTITUTE
In the case of the Russians, A. Sartakoff, aged 35, and M. A. Zakatoff, 29, both were apparently destitute as well as not possessing valid passports. They had come from Canton and had each served a month's imprisonment for getting drunk and disorderly. Serat. Russell asked that an expulsion order be made and they be committed to the House of Detention in the meantime.

This was granted.

COMMON ASSAULT CHARGE

Appearing on remand before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday on charges of keeping an unregistered mul-tai, ill-treating her, and common assault, Yu Chan, 36, married woman, was fined \$25 on the third count, the other two being dismissed. Evidence had been taken at the previous hearing, and yesterday Mr. W. M. Brown, defending, submitted that the prosecution had not proved the complainant was a mul-tai. Money had been given her and there was nothing to show she was of the status alleged.

Mr. H. W. Fraser, of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, prosecuted, and defendant was on bail of \$250.

"BLACK-OUT" SEQUEL

A summons originating out of a failure to observe "Black-Out" regulations, was called before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

Leung Kwok-hung was charged with failing to have all the lights in her residence, No. 22 Lee Tung Street, second floor, shaded between 8 and 10 p.m. on December 9, the night of the experimental "Black-Out".

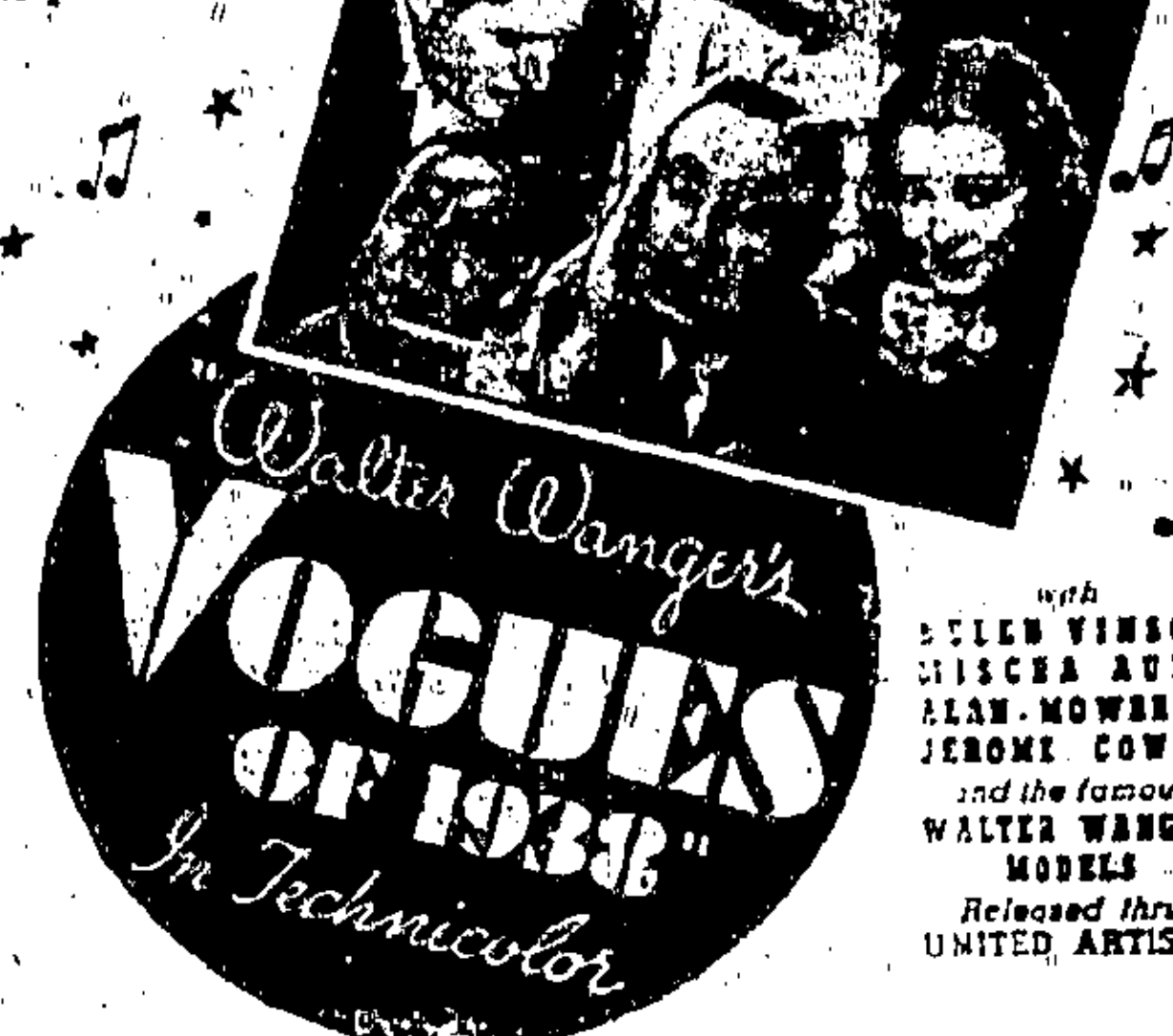
Defendant pleaded that she had had all her lights shaded with a cigarette tin by 7.50 p.m., but the constable prosecuting stated he saw the light still on at 8.25.

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The success of mince pies depends chiefly on the pastry. For plain mince pies use short pastry; for richer ones, rough puff or puff pastry. Whichever kind is used the pastry should be rolled out to less than a quarter of an inch in thickness, and the rounds should be cut a little larger than the patty tins so that the pastry will not have to be stretched to fit. Always add a good pinch of salt even for sweet pastry, and never add sugar until the butter has been rubbed in. Use as little liquid to mix as possible, never add any flour after the liquid, and flour the board and rolling-pin only lightly. Roll lightly but rapidly, and never over the edge of the pastry.

A good short pastry is made from half a pound of self-rising flour, a pinch of salt, two ounces of butter, two ounces of lard, an ounce of castor sugar, a little cold water, and the yolk of an egg. Rub the fat into the flour, and sugar, egg, and water to make a stiff paste. Use the white of the egg to give a good finish to the mince pies; whisk it to a stiff froth, brush over pies when they are baked, sprinkle with castor sugar, and put back in the oven for a few minutes.

Rough puff pastry is richer than short crust and not so difficult to make as puff pastry. Use four ounces of butter to half a pound of flour. See that the flour is dry, and sieve it two or three times. Add the salt, put in the butter, and cut it into pieces into the flour with a knife. The pieces should not be too small. Add half a teaspoonful of lemon juice and a little cold water. Make into a stiff paste with a knife, finishing off with the hands. Roll lightly into a long strip, fold into three; give the pastry a half-turn to the left so that it can be rolled again lengthways into another strip. Repeat this three times, and put the pastry in the coldest place in the house for half an hour before using.

Puff pastry is made in a similar way, but the method is more complicated. When well made, it is well worth the trouble of doing. Use half a pound of butter to half a pound of flour. Have the latter light and dry, and make it into a stiff paste with cold water. The butter should be as cold as possible and patted into a square piece. Roll out the pastry until it is more than twice as big as the piece of butter; put the butter on it, fold over, seal the edges, and roll out

DRESSING-UP THE TURKEY

It's the sauces and trimmings which help to make the turkey a success. Some people like a parsley stuffing, with sausage meat served separately, but a sausage meat stuffing made as follows is very savoury. Simmer 11lb. sausage meat in a little water for 20 minutes, then strain off any liquid. Season with a tablespoonful of parsley, two teaspoonfuls of nutmeg, salt and pepper. Add a cupful of fine breadcrumbs, a little melted dripping, and a beaten egg to bind.

BREAD SAUCE

And there must be room on the plate for a spoonful of bread sauce. This is easy to make.

Soak a heaped cupful of fine breadcrumbs in $\frac{1}{2}$ pint milk for half an hour. Then add 2 peppercorns, 2 cloves, a small chop-

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GOOSEBERRY FLAVOUR

As a change from cranberry jelly why not copy the country folk and have a piquant flavoured gooseberry sauce?

Rub $\frac{1}{2}$ pint bottled gooseberries through a sieve. Melt a knob of butter in a saucepan, stir in a dessertspoonful of flour, then pour over the gooseberry juice, adding water if necessary to make the quantity half a pint.

Add a dessertspoonful of sugar and the gooseberry pulp, and boil and stir until the sauce thickens.

HORSE-RADISH SAUCE

The grown-ups will like this hot horse-radish sauce.

Mix together a teaspoonful of grated horse-radish, 1 teaspoonful made mustard, 1 teaspoonful castor sugar, half a cupful each of cream, milk, and vinegar and a shake of the salt and pepper.



Points About The Pudding

The Christmas pudding should be steamed, and not boiled, as steaming makes it lighter. If several puddings are being made and there are not enough steaming compartments available, an ordinary saucepan can be used, but it is best to stand the pudding-basin on a plate to keep it off the bottom of the saucepan.

Christmas puddings vary a great deal in richness. It is possible to make a plain one, without any eggs or spirits at all, using milk for the liquid. Here is a recipe. Put into a basin half a pound of flour, half a pound of bread-crumbs, and a pound of finely chopped suet; mix well together. Add three-quarters of a pound of brown sugar a pound each of sultanas, raisins, and currants, a grated nutmeg, a dessertspoonful of mixed spice, and a teaspoonful of cinnamon. Grate finely a quarter of a pound of candied peel and stir it in also. Mix all these ingredients well before adding the liquid, which should consist of the juice of a lemon and about a breakfastcupful of milk. A little more milk should be necessary, but the mixture should be fairly stiff. Let it stand for a few hours to blend the flavours, then put it into the greased basins, which should not be more than three-quarters full. The greased paper and a pudding-cloth over the top, and steam for six to ten hours, according to the size of the puddings.

If a richer pudding is liked it should contain plenty of eggs, either ground almonds or chopped blanched almonds, some brandy, and some sherry, rum, or ale. Milk can be substituted for the spirits, but the eggs are essential.

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Sir George Paish, the economist, at a League of Nations Union rally at Chatham last night, said: "Unless nations stand together, 1938 will be the worst year in the history of the world. The world is in danger of a complete trade breakdown."

"I expect revolution to come before war, not in one country but in all countries, due to the appalling distress that will arise unless nations come to their senses and help one another out of their difficulties."

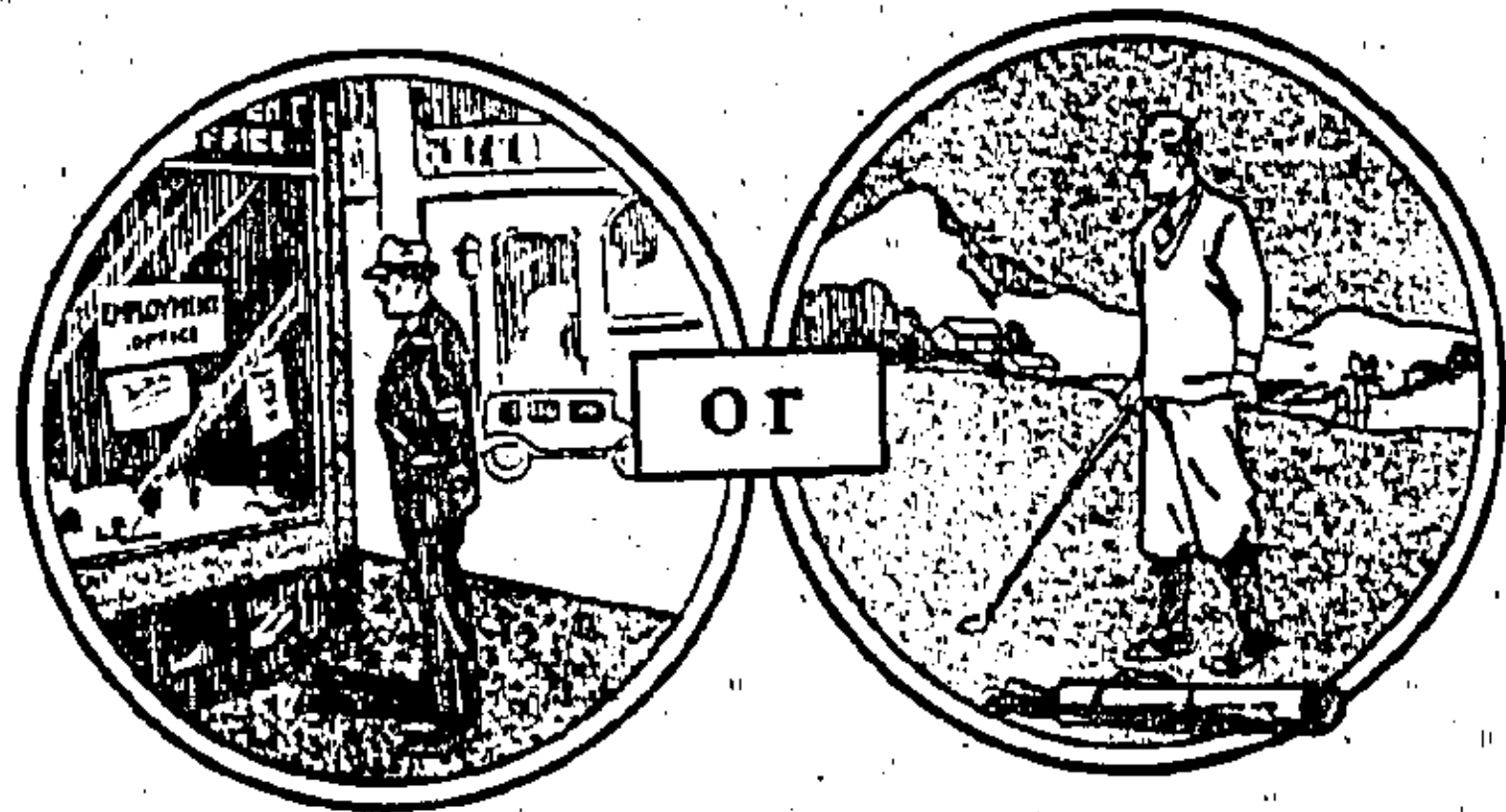
Tyrone Power may be teamed with Simone Simon in "Jo and Josette."

Bing Crosby has just been made a Doctor of Music at Gonzaga University. Bing says he can neither read nor write a note.

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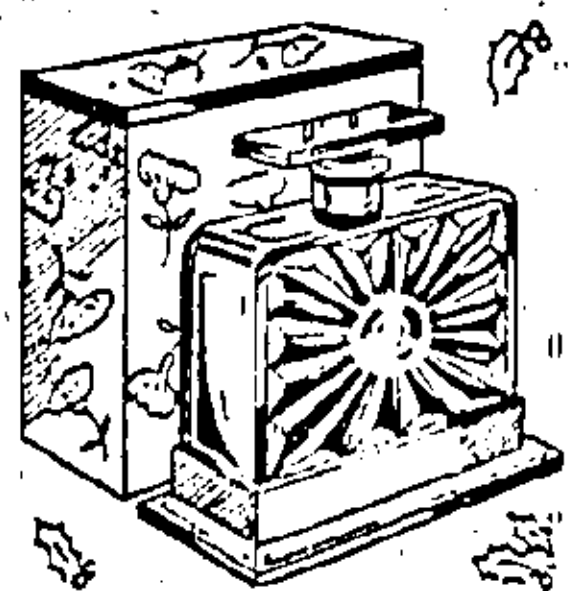
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EDEN SAYS BRITAIN WOULD DEFEND HER INTERESTS

The Far East figured prominently in the debate on foreign affairs in the House of Commons. It was expressed by Sir Arthur Salter (Labour) that Japan was aiming not only at the domination of China but a hegemony of the East to the complete exclusion of Western countries.

He drew attention to the fact that Japan depended for her vital resources in conducting her campaign in China on imports from the British Empire and the United States, and suggested that combined action, with a view to curb aggression, would not be impossible of success if such action included these two countries.

This view was shared by other speakers. Sir Archibald Sinclair (Liberal leader) said that they must be prepared that no retaliation would be possible if economic pressure was brought on Japan. Mr. A. V. Alexander (Labour) criticised the Government for not placing an embargo on export of arms to Japan and hoped that China would be afforded facility to purchase war materials.

The view was expressed that Britain had no right to expect the United States to take active part in the defence of purely British interests, but it was thought that if Britain would act on her own responsibility the United States might in her own interests act on parallel lines.

London, Dec. 21. Sir Arthur Salter (Lab.) declared that Japan was aiming, not only for the domination of China, but a hegemony of the East to the complete exclusion of the West. He admitted difficulties of combined action, but pointed out that Mr. H. L. Stimson had drawn attention to the fact that Japan depended for her vital resources in conducting her campaign on imports from the British Empire and from the United States. In any combined action the risk of hostile rearm must be contemplated, but if that action included two of the greatest countries he did not believe the risk would be very great. "Anyhow, a momentary inferiority in military or naval equipment should not deter them if the ultimate resources were certain to lead to the desired end."

COLLECTIVE SECURITY

London, Dec. 22. Mr. A. V. Alexander, winding up for the Opposition Labour Party, declared: The Japanese would control the whole of the maritime provinces of China and the whole of China's customs unless something were done to prevent it. With regard to American co-operation, he said, it is not the best way to obtain the full support of the people of the United States to ask them to intervene on a purely British or American interest basis. He believed, he said, that the best way to appeal to the American nation was on the wide basis of collective security.

Mr. Alexander criticised the Government for not placing an embargo on exports of arms to Japan. He hoped that every possible help would be given to China to purchase arms.

The Government would not be doing all it could to vindicate the Covenant of the League if it did not propose, through League operation, sanctions which would prevent war materials reaching Japan. If attacked because they were exercising economic sanction in agreement with the rest of the members of the League, they must stand together and defend themselves, he concluded.

OPEN DOOR'S EXIT

Sir Archibald Sinclair, leader of the Liberal Party, advocated the fulfilment of obligations under the Nine Power Treaty. He recognised frankly that this would involve economic pressure on Japan, and said they must be prepared with such forces as to make the prospects of retaliation hopeless. He was of the opinion that the respect the Japanese militarists would show to British interests would be in direct ratio to Britain's capacity and resolve to defend them.

Doubtless, said Sir Archibald, if the Japanese won against China and Britain still had no greater means of defence on the spot, Japan would keep the "Open Door" to China for British merchants, but across it would be written the word "Exit."

HONG KONG DEFENCE

Regarding Hong Kong, he suggested the movement of ships to positions capable of defending British interests if directly attacked. Such movements would not be inconsistent with neutrality, but this could be undertaken only in close co-operation with France, both in European and Far Eastern waters.

Britain had no right to call for United States co-operation, declared Sir Archibald, to defend purely British interests; but while Britain and the United States were in close consultation, the latter could not misunderstand Britain's motives. Once it was apparent to the United States that Britain was determined to act on her own responsibility, the United States might decide to act on parallel lines to protect her interests.

PREMIER'S REPLY

London, Dec. 21. Replying to the debate on foreign affairs, and more particularly the Far East, Mr. Chamberlain said: "What we are now doing is to await proof of the determination and ability of the Japanese Government to prevent a recurrence of incidents."

"We are still anxious to serve the cause of peace by all honourable means open to us, but it must not be thought that our desire for peace and our patience under repeated provocation means we are either indifferent to our international obligations, or that we are forgetful of our duty to protect British interests."

"It is now for the Japanese Government to show that it, in its turn, is not unmindful of the rights and interests of foreigners, and that its assurances and apologies mean something more than words."

In his preamble, the Premier said "Whatever may be the truth—whether the Japanese forced the war on China, or whether, as the Japanese apologists seem to indicate, Japan was forced to defend herself against Chinese aggression—it is certainly a fact that no attempt was ever made by Japan to seek a settlement by peaceful means."

Mr. Chamberlain also referred to the Japanese refusal to have anything to do with the Brussels Conference, and declared that coercion would not have obtained the support of any member of the conference.

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UNDECLARED WAR

Turning to the Far East, the Premier said he would not discuss the origin of what now became a major war though without declaration of war. Whatever its origin, it certainly was a fact that there had been no attempt by Japan to seek settlement by peaceful means.

He regretted the Japanese refusal to take part in the Brussels Conference the outcome of which had been disappointing to all friends of peace. But there was one feature from which they drew satisfaction, namely that throughout the British delegation had found themselves in complete and harmonious agreement with the delegation of the United States.

The latest development in the Japanese war in China had been attacks on British and American ships in the Yangtze. The House was aware of the repeated representations which had been made to the Japanese Government. Mr. Chamberlain added, "We are now awaiting proof of the determination of the Japanese Government to show they are not unmindful of the rights and interests of foreigners and that their apologies and regrets are something more than empty words."

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JAPAN TO PUSH ON WAR

Military And Economic Plans Go Hand In Hand

Tokyo, Dec. 22. The Emperor Hirohito has approved the Government's new China policy, which provides for the continuation of hostilities in China until the Nanking Government reconsiders its "anti-Japanese attitude."

The Premier, Prince Konoye, who played the leading role in drafting the new policy, is confined to bed with a bad cold.

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OMINOUS STEPS

Shanghai, Dec. 22. Indicating that the Japanese armed forces are rapidly completing preparations for the next large-scale military move, some 30,000 Japanese troops, together with heavy field equipment and supplies, are reported to have left Shanghai by transports during the past three days.

The destination of the transports is unknown, but observers believe the movement to have a direct bearing on recent developments in Kwangtung and Tsin-tao.

Observers also believe that additional Japanese troops will be moving in the next few days, as it is reported that some 70 or 80 transports are anchored off Wootung.

Meanwhile, no startling developments have occurred on Central China fronts and Chinese reports state that the Japanese drive on Hangchow appears to have slightly slowed down by a Chinese counter-offensive.

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BRAIN TRUST

Tokyo, Dec. 22. A draft measure providing for the creation of a "Brain Trust" in the Finance Ministry has been formally approved by the Japanese Cabinet. The new organ will be charged with the task of assisting the Government in formulating financial policy to meet the situation arising from the protracted hostilities in China.

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COMMUNICATION

Tokyo, Dec. 22. A group of officials of the Ministry of Communications, headed by Mr. Otsujiro Watanabe of the Bureau of Telegraphs, is leaving here to-day for North China to study communication facilities in the area under Japanese military occupation.

Plans for the economic development of North China were discussed by the Cabinet at a protracted meeting yesterday. The Secretary-General of the Cabinet explained the plans which cover the fields of industry, commerce and culture.

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LOWER TAXES?

Shanghai, Dec. 22. A Japanese report from Chang-tien, Tonan, states that General

LANDON GIVES ROOSEVELT FULL SUPPORT

Regards Japan Issue As Non-Partisan Question

Washington, Dec. 21. The former Republican presidential candidate, Mr. Alfred Landon, whom President Roosevelt so devastatingly defeated at the last election, to-day telegraphed the United States' chief executive pledging full support to the President in any move he might make in the present crisis in the Far East.

"The whole country should be behind the President, in view of the situation, on a non-partisan basis," he declared.

President Roosevelt, in reply, declared: "I believe the overwhelming majority of our countrymen desire peace with all peoples. But throughout our history we have rejected every suggestion that ultimate security can be assured by closing our eyes to the fact that we are a part of the world, and owe a measure of co-operation, even leadership, in maintaining the standards of conduct helpful to the goal of general peace."

Mr. Landon's telegram is regarded as a valuable reinforcement which will help the President handle the Far East crisis on a national basis.

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CONGRESS ADJOURNS

Washington, Dec. 21. The special session of Congress adjourned "sine die" before agreement had been reached on the Housing Bill which must go to the conference committee to iron out differences between the versions passed by the Senate and the House. Final enactment will not come before the regular session in January.

The special session thus adjourned without carrying any of President Roosevelt's major legislative recommendations.

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LINER SINKING OFF HOLLAND

London, Dec. 22. The 8,000-ton passenger liner, City of Hamburg, an American-owned vessel, has sent out an SOS, stating:

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The liner left Hamburg for Baltimore on December 17.

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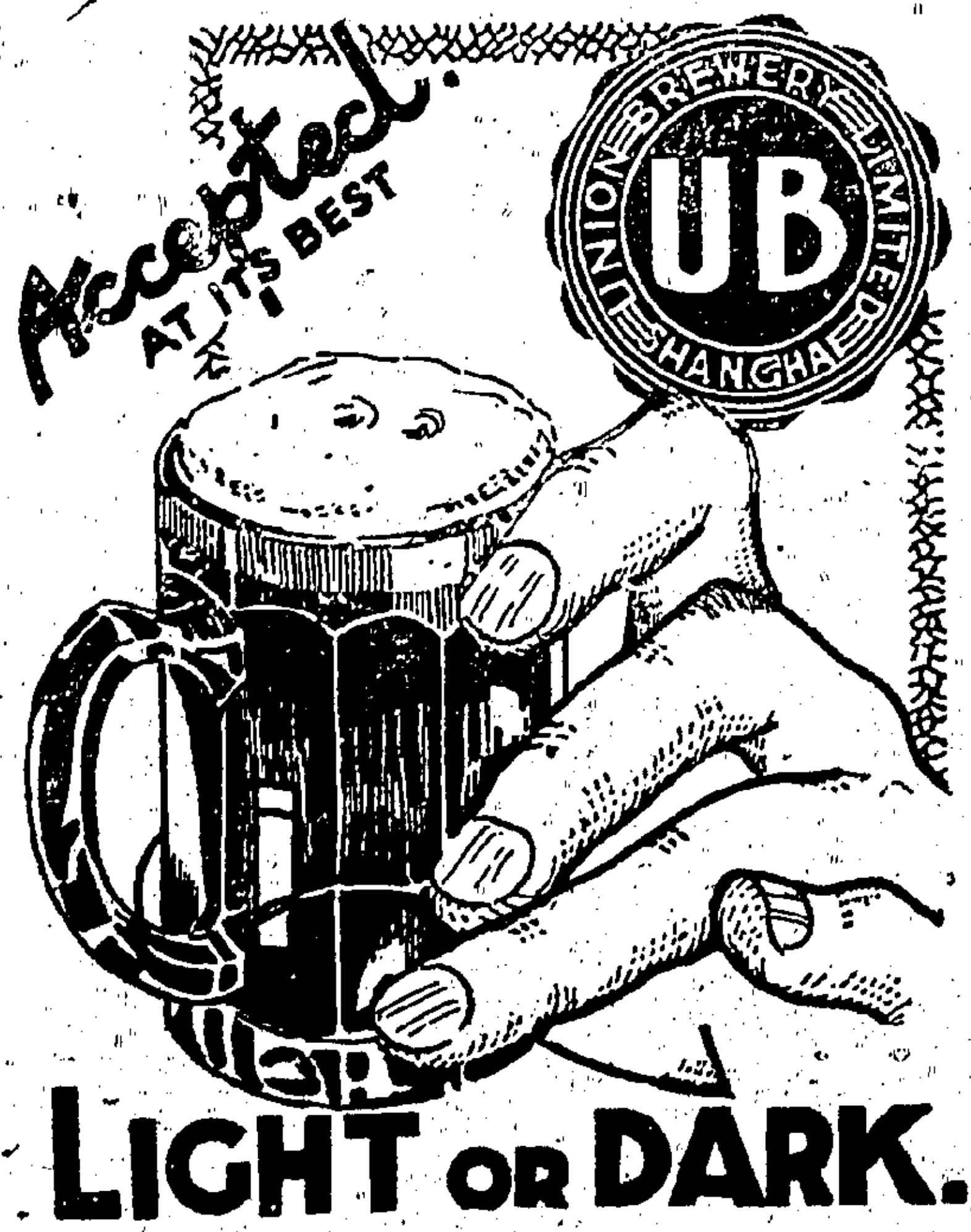
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FLEET NEWS IN BRIEF

H.M.S. Apollo, Captain M. J. C. de Merit, M.V.O., which brought home the body of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, will leave Devonport on Wednesday to return to Bermuda. Among the officers to take passage in her is Commander H. St. L. Nicolson, who is to command the Scarborough on arrival.

H.M.S. Vindictive, Captain E. J. Spooner, D.S.O., cadet training cruiser, returned to Chatham on December 9 from her cruise to the Mediterranean and to Italian and Greek ports which began on September 9.

The Enchantress, Admiralty yacht, Commander C. P. Friend, will visit Portland from to-day till Friday.

The launch of the destroyer Punjabi from the Greenock shipyard of the Scott's Shipbuilding and Engineering Company took place on December 18.

Lieutenant-Comdr. T. P. Wisden, appointed to H.M.S. Exeter, will take up duty as intelligence staff officer, South America, in succession to Lieut.-Commander F. M. Beasley.

ADMIRALTY SURGEONS

Mr. R. E. R. Sanderson has been appointed Admiralty surgeon and agent for Luton (November 22); Mr. H. W. Lewis for Newbury (November 19); and Mr. W. A. L. Marriott for Norwich (November 20).

NAVY IS SHORT OF MEN

The Navy is so short of sailors that men cannot be spared to undergo vocational training to fit them for civilian employment until a month before they are due to retire on pension.

This is revealed in an order issued by the Commander-in-Chief at Devonport. The order reads: "The available drafting margin of ratings of the Devonport port division has now become so small that it is most difficult, especially in the higher rates, to spare ratings for vocational training earlier than one month before going on pension."

"There is no immediate prospect of an improvement in this respect."

NAVAL APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments are made by the Admiralty:

Cdr. C. T. Addis, to Britannia for R.N. College, Dartmouth (Dec. 14); J. A. S. Eccles, to Ark Royal; D. H. Magnay, to President for duty with D.N.O. Admiralty (Jan. 14); H. Dalrymple-Smith, to Victory, addl. for Tactical course (Jan. 22).

Payr. Cdr. E. L. Pemberton, to Dryad (Dec. 16); S. K. Horn, to Despatch (Dec. 20); S. A. Cuthbert, to Barham (Jan. 1).

Surg. Lt.-Cdr. C. D. D. de Labilliere, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., to Pembroke for R.N.B. (Dec. 15). Chaplain—Rev. W. J. Williams, to Medway (Dec. 31).

Lt. G. W. Rowell, to Glasgow; J. Cochran, to Dryad (Dec. 15); A. W. Goldsmith, to Osprey (Dec. 28).

Surg. Lt. J. G. Simmon, M.B., to Pembroke for Chatham Dockyard (Dec. 14); W. Boyd M.B., to Inglefield (Jan. 1); G. C. Denny, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., to Milford (on commg.).

Sub-Lieut. P. K. Lankester, to Sharpshooter (Dec. 18); P. F. Fawkes, J. S. Banks, D. Lambert, K. J. Dorrell, R. H. M. Hancock, S. Woodcock, D. E. Wheeler, W. W. Dennis, J. W. Fleming, to Dolphin for S/M course (Jan. 3).

THE ARMY

TRAINING TROOPS TO THINK
Education in the Army once purely voluntary, is now, up to certain standards, compulsory. The time has long passed when a drill instructor could tell a soldier that he was not expected to think for himself; science and mechanical demand an ever-increasing measure of knowledge. Here, in the Army School of Education, still housed in huts built during the War to accommodate Canadian troops, can be seen how that knowledge is acquired and imparted.

The purpose of the school is fourfold—to train regimental officers and N.C.O.s as instructors in educational training in units; to train probationer officers and sergeants for the Army Educational Corps; to help instructors from places like the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, and

the School of Military Engineering, Chatham, to teach the subjects with which they will deal at those establishments; and to act as the depot for the Army Educational Corps. Lieutenant-Colonel J. McElwain is Commandant of the school, and Lieutenant Colonel H. C. Honeybourne is chief instructor.

EXAMINATION RESULTS

To the school come annually 450 N.C.O.s and 80 officers. At the first examination, held in 1921, there were 156 candidates. The following year 1,000 men obtained their first-class certificate. In 1928 7,500 candidates qualified for the first-class certificate, and 750 for the special certificate, which is equal to matriculation. To-day more than 12,000 hold the first-class certificate, and 1,300 the special certificate.

Lieutenant-Colonel C. G. Maude of the War Office, said recently, during a tour of the school, that they wanted to produce a soldier who would show initiative and turn out a better individual than when he came into the Army.

Lieutenant-Col. McElwain said that not only did the possession of certificates bring advantages in the Army, but they were also recognized by employers, so that when the soldier returned to civil life he had proof of his educational attainments.

ROYAL AIR FORCE

MAILS FOR AUSTRALIA FLIGHT

The Air Ministry announces that official and private correspondence for No. 204 (G.R.) Squadron during its flight to and from Australia should be addressed to the "Australian Flight of No. 204 (G.R.) Squadron, Royal Air Force," at the appropriate port.

Dates of arrival and departure are as follows:

Karachi, December 11 to 13; Singapore, December 20 to January 10; Port Darwin January 15 to 17; Sydney, January 26 to February 7; Melbourne, February 7 to 17; Adelaide, February 25 to March 2; Perth, March 7 to 12; Sourabaya, March 18 to 21; Singapore, March 23 to April 21; Karachi, April 26 to 29; Alexandria, May 4 to 6; and Malta, May 6 to 9. The approximate latest times for posting unregistered correspondence at the Head Post Office, King Edward Street, London, to reach the squadron at Singapore are 6 p.m. on December 16 for ordinary mail, and 8 p.m. on Dec. 29 for air mail; and at Port Darwin 6 p.m. on December 16 for ordinary mail, and 8 p.m. on January 1 for air mail. Correspondence from the provinces should be posted one day earlier.

EDUCATION OFFICERS

The following promotions of education officers have been made effective from September 1, except where otherwise stated:

Mr. D. McKenzie, grade I (acting); H.Q. Coastal Command; Mr. W. T. Matthews, grade II, Electrical and Wireless School, Cranwell; Mr. D. G. G. O'Shea, grade II, H.Q. Coastal Command; Major W. K. Birch, O.B.E., grade II, No. 2 R.A.F. Depot, Cardington; Captain C. N. Heath, grade II, No. 1 School of Technical Training, Halton; Mr. J. A. G. Stuart, grade II, H.Q. Fighter Command (October 23); and Mr. J. D. Haddon, grade II (acting), No. 1 School of Technical Training, Halton (October 23).

POINTS FROM ORDERS

Night-flying facilities are not to be asked for at Hooton Park aerodrome for visiting service aircraft except in emergency.

Headquarters and No. 2 Section of No. 1 Armoured Car Company have been transferred from Hlaidd to the new aerodrome at Dhibban.

The administration of the Fleet Air Arm catapult aircraft has been transferred from Mount Batten to Lee-on-the-Solent, with effect from November 15.

The R.A.F. station headquarters at Turnhouse, Edinburgh, will cease to exist as such, with effect from April 15, 1938, on which date the station will be transferred within the Bomber Command to No. 6 (Auxiliary) Group.

RE-OPENING OF HONGKOW

Tokyo, Dec. 22.

The urgency of re-opening the Hongkew and Yangtzepoo areas in Shanghai to merchants and residents of third Powers is understood to have been pressed on the Foreign Minister, Mr. Hirota by the British Ambassador, Sir Robert Craigie during a discussion this morning.

Reuter.

COLONY'S VISIBLE TRADE SHOWS INCREASE

Statistics For November Encouraging

The Imports and Exports Department (Statistical Branch) reports that the combined values of imports and exports of merchandise (excluding Treasure) as declared during the month of November, 1937 totalled \$104.9 millions (\$6.5 millions) as compared with \$84.1 millions (\$5.2 millions) in November, 1936.

In terms of local currency the total visible trade of the Colony (excluding Treasure) increased by 24.7 per cent. in November, 1937 as compared with November, 1936, and by 25.0 per cent. in terms of sterling.

Imports of merchandise totalled \$59.7 millions (\$3.7 millions) as compared with \$45.7 millions (\$2.8 millions), and exports \$45.2 millions (\$2.8 millions) as compared with \$38.4 millions (\$2.4 millions).

Imports of merchandise increased by 30.6 per cent. in terms of local currency, and by 32.1 per cent. in terms of sterling. Exports of merchandise increased by 17.7 per cent. in terms of local currency, and by 16.7 per cent. in terms of sterling.

"During the first eleven months of 1937 imports of merchandise totalled \$568.5 millions (\$35.1 millions) as compared with \$407.7 millions (\$25.8 millions) in the corresponding period of 1936, and exports \$421.5 millions (\$26.0 millions) as compared with \$315.1 millions (\$20.0 millions).

Imports of merchandise increased by 39.4 per cent. in terms of local currency, and by 36.0 per cent. in terms of sterling; exports increased by 33.3 per cent. in terms of local currency, and by 30.0 per cent. in terms of sterling.

The following table shows comparative imports and exports of merchandise during each of the first eleven months of 1937 as compared with the corresponding months of 1936 in \$'s and £'s sterling (in millions):

	Imports 1936	Imports 1937	Exports 1936	Exports 1937
January	\$33.7	\$39.9	\$23.6	\$34.1
February	\$22.2	\$25.1	\$15.1	\$21.9
March	\$20.3	\$24.9	\$24.9	\$30.3
April	\$20.2	\$24.1	\$1.6	\$1.9
May	\$34.1	\$34.1	\$27.5	\$40.7
June	\$22.2	\$23.3	\$1.8	\$2.5
July	\$38.2	\$48.8	\$27.6	\$41.1
August	\$25.3	\$34.1	\$1.8	\$2.1
September	\$38.8	\$49.8	\$30.0	\$40.1
October	\$25.3	\$31.1	\$1.9	\$2.5
November	\$37.1	\$50.1	\$29.9	\$38.9
December	\$24.4	\$31.1	\$1.9	\$2.4
January	\$36.4	\$50.2	\$28.2	\$36.2
February	\$23.3	\$31.1	\$1.7	\$2.2
March	\$32.1	\$55.7	\$25.5	\$38.2
April	\$20.0	\$34.1	\$1.6	\$2.4

WEDDINGS AT THE REGISTRY

Three Ceremonies

Three weddings took place at the Registry of Marriages, Supreme Court yesterday, Mr. W. Aneurin Jones, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, conducting the ceremonies.

Miss Der Mo Yung, of No. 117 Argyle Street, became the bride of Mr. Yau Kai Fook, manager of the Yue On Pawnshop, residing at No. 11 Jordan Road, in the first ceremony. The witnesses were Messrs. Kan Shiu Cho and Der Sing Chi. The groom is the son of Mr. Yau Kwai Lup, merchant, and the bride is the daughter of Mr. Der Wai Sun, merchant.

In the second ceremony, Miss Dina Rosenberg, daughter of the late Mr. George Rosenberg, was married to Mr. Maurice David, broker, of Dina House, son of Mr. D. Joshua David, retired. In the presence of Messrs. S. E. Levy and J. J. Edgar. Another wedding ceremony, according to Jewish custom, took place in the Jewish Synagogue, in the afternoon.

The third wedding took place between Mr. Cyril Asheton Clarke, engineer, of No. 7 Hillwood Road, first floor, son of the late Mr. Richard Morris Clarke, and Miss Lolita Dorathea Rebarber, daughter of the late Mr. Frederick Rebarber. The witnesses were Messrs. George Diecks and M. A. Guterres.

By mutual consent the engagement between Miss Leopoldine Long and Mr. H. Greenberg has been broken off.

September	\$38.2	\$4.7	\$9.8	\$9.1
October	\$24.4	\$4.0	\$1.8	\$2.4
November	\$43.0	\$1.8	\$2.7	\$4.6
December	\$27.7	\$3.2	\$2.0	\$2.7
January	\$45.7	\$9.7	\$8.4	\$5.2
February	\$28.8	\$3.7	\$2.4	\$2.8

The following table shows comparative figures of imports and exports of Merchandise and Treasure during the months of November, 1937 and November, 1936:—

	Nov. 1937	Nov. 1936
Merchandise	\$59,675,204	\$45,663,144
Treasure	1,150,755	2,397,280
Total	\$60,825,959	\$47,960,424

	Nov. 1937	Nov. 1936
Merchandise	\$45,224,324	\$38,385,557
Treasure	62,599,746	3,745,425
Total	\$107,824,070	\$42,130,982

MONTHLY FLUCTUATIONS

Since November, 1936 monthly values of imports of merchandise into Hong Kong fluctuated from a low Hong Kong dollar value (\$8.5 millions) in February, 1937 to a high of \$47.7 millions in September, 1937; whilst export values fluctuated from a low of \$30.9 millions in February, 1937 to a high of \$45.2 millions in November, 1937.

Details are given below, with the sterling equivalents, at monthly average rates of exchange, in brackets:—

	1936	IMPORTS	EXPORTS
Nov.	\$45,663,144	\$38,385,557	
Dec.	(£2,824,218)	(£2,374,107)	
	\$44,699,876	\$34,783,585	
	(£2,764,641)	(£2,151,328)	

	1937	IMPORTS	EXPORTS
January	\$39,895,093	\$34,098,300	
February	(£2,472,565)	(£2,113,384)	
March	\$38,451,281	\$30,904,872	
April	(£2,378,170)	(£1,911,422)	
May	\$53,355,278	\$40,685,991	
June	(£3,299,968)	(£2,516,386)	
July	\$54,839,318	\$34,144,114	
August	(£3,391,755)	(£2,111,778)	
September	\$49,843,843	\$40,110,383	
October	(£3,076,300)	(£2,475,933)	
November	\$50,084,356	\$38,919,728	
December	(£3,070,352)	(£2,386,874)	
January	\$50,189,072	\$36,190,851	
February	(£3,056,397)	(£2,205,380)	
March	\$55,687,536	\$38,251,126	
April	(£3,436,965)	(£2,359,577)	
May	\$64,710,603	\$39,439,897	
June	(£4,010,709)	(£2,444,452)	
July	\$51,792,365	\$43,585,875	
August	(£3,210,048)	(£2,701,418)	
September	\$59,575,204	\$45,224,324	
October	(£3,690,849)	(£2,797,077)	
November			

Mean rate of exchange for Nov., 1937: H.K.\$=1s. 2.27/32d.

"HULLO HONG KONG"

EXCELLENT REVUE

"Hullo Hong Kong," a revue in aid of charities, and ably got up by a party of Naval officers and friends, was presented at the China Fleet Club last night when it scored a roaring success. To the producer, Sub-Lieut. C. Owen, and his merry men, all congratulations and those who attended last night came away so pleased with the entertainment that not a few resolved to go back again to-night.

There were altogether 15 items on the programme, including "The Lower Returns," described as a "mighty melodrammer" but each one was so well carried out that it would be difficult to single out any particular turn.

Those who took part were Lt. E. Talbot, R.N., Lt. D. Martin, R.N., Sub-Lt. C. Owen, R.N., Sub-Lt. C. Gough, R.N., Sub-Lt. T. Barlow, R.N., Rosemarie Gambler, Peggy Walker and Erik Nelson and P.O. Gill (guest-artists).

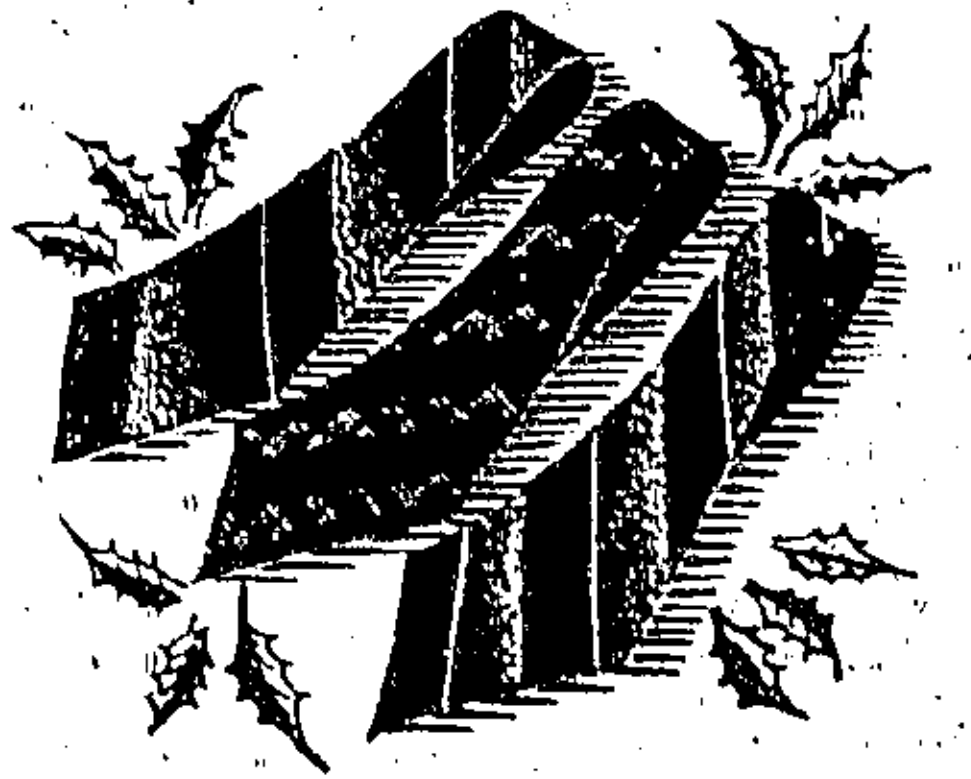
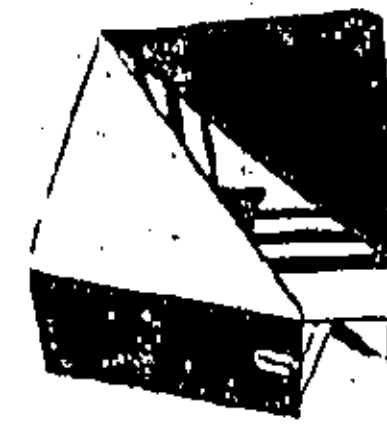
UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS

The Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited) advises that the following unclaimed telegrams are lying at their offices:—

Mary Steiner, Palace Hotel, Kowloon, from Shanghai; J. Danoff, from Tokyo; Lo Wing Ching, c/o Li Yuk Yu, Hong Kong Bank, from Shanghai; Seng Siu Yu, c/o Hong Kong Hotel, from Shanghai; Sish, from Dairen.

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R.M.S. Empress of Canada

The following passengers arrived in the Colony yesterday by the R.M.S. Empress of Canada from the North:—

Rev. M. Crawley, Mr. E. Beiknap, Mr. and Mrs. L. Coote, Miss B. J. Coote, Miss H. Coote, Mr. E. A. Keller, Mrs. P. J. Klink and infant, Mrs. E. Mayer, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Nielson, Master L. Nielson, Mr. J. Ottinger, Mr. P. W. Parker, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. L. Shields, Miss M. L. Shields, Mr. L. Shields, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Wolf, Mr. F. B. Winter, Mr. L. R. Yango, Mr. Walter Chang, Mr. S. C. Choy, Mr. K. H. Hanson, Mr. Lam Shan Kwok, Mr. N. Raymond, Brother T. R. Wilkenson, Mr. Tan Poo Yu, Mrs. Raymond.

LOCAL ESTATES

Louise Gibson, married woman, late of No. 10 Humphreys Avenue, who died intestate on or about October 15, 1937, left local estate sworn under \$25,100. Letters of administration to the estate of the deceased have been granted to John Gibson, chemist, of the same address.

Local estate to the value of \$14,700 was left by Fong Luen Fat, alias Fong Cheung Wing, merchant, late of No. 10 Sing Trun Lane, Canton, who died intestate on October 21, 1937. Letters of administration to the estate of the deceased have been granted to Tsiu Yuen Sin, widow, of the same address, but at present residing at No. 112 Connaught Road Central, Hong Kong.

NATIVITY PLAY

All the pageantry of the birth of Jesus Christ was re-enacted at St. John's Cathedral yesterday evening when members of the congregation presented a Nativity Play. A fair attendance was present and the play which was faithfully produced and acted, was well-received.

HEALTH RETURNS

Three cases of dysentery and two of diphtheria were reported to the Health Authorities for the 24 hours ended at midnight on Tuesday.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

BANK HOLIDAYS.

In Accordance with Government Ordinance, THE EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transactions of PUBLIC BUSINESS on SATURDAY, and MONDAY, the 25th and 27th December, 1937. (Christmas Holidays).
Hong Kong, 22nd Dec., 1937.

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NOTICE.

"Notice is hereby given that VLADIMIR JOSEPHOVICH CITRIN known as WALTER JOSEPH CITRIN of May Hall, The University is applying to the Governor for naturalization, and that any person who knows any reason why naturalization should not be granted should send a written and signed statement of the facts to the Colonial Secretary, Hong Kong."

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OFFICIAL NOTICE.

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE A SHIP'S NAME.

I John Finnie, Manager of Taikoo Dockyard & Eng. Co. of H.K., Ltd. hereby give notice that in consequence of Proposal to re-name the present salvage vessel "Tai Koo," Tai "Koo I" and to register the new salvage vessel "Tai Koo."

I have applied to the Board of Trade, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the ship "Tai Koo" of Hong Kong Official number 128709 of registered gross tonnage 366 registered net tonnage 20 tons, owned by Taikoo Dockyard and Engineering Co. of Hong Kong, Ltd., Hong Kong, for the permission to change her name to "Tai Koo I" and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of Hong Kong as owned by Taikoo Dockyard & Engineering Co. of Hong Kong, Ltd., Hong Kong.

Any objections to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Hong Kong, within seven days from the appearance of this advertisement.

Dated at Hong Kong this 21st day of December, 1937.

(Signed) For
THE TAIKOO DOCKYARD & ENGINEERING COMPANY
OF HONG KONG, LTD.
JOHN FINNIE,
Manager.

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ADVERTISEMENTS

MACAO JOCKEY CLUB.

JANUARY RACE MEETING.

REMINDER.

Owners are reminded that entries for the above Meeting close on Wednesday, 22nd December, 1937.

By order,
S. W. CHENG,
Secretary.

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PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Tuesday, the 28th day of Dec., 1937, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Tin Hau Temple Rd. in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the purchaser (if not the applicant), will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, \$200.00 in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Up to 100	Up to 100
Inland Lot No. 2697		West of Inland Lot No. 2684, Tin Hau Temple Road	As per plan	About 8,600	108	500	500

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PRINCE AS SCOUT LEADER

Prince Bernhard, husband of Princess Juliana, has accepted the post of Royal Commissioner of the Netherlands Boy Scout organisation as from Nov. 22.

Vice-Adm. Rambonnet has resigned as Chief Scout of Holland. His successor has not yet been appointed.

During the recent Jamboree in Holland, Prince Bernhard showed the greatest interest in the Boy Scout movement and often took part in camp-fire sing-songs.

DEATHS

Ian Chesborough Rose MacDonald, Commander Royal Australian Navy, passed away in Lister Hospital, Sydney, Australia, on December 15, aged 37 years. Beloved husband of Gertrude MacDonald.

JOHNSON.—On December 14, 1937, at House 3, Lane 288 Route, Tenant de la Tour, Shanghai, Henry Lawrence Johnson, Clerk of Works, Chinese Maritime Customs, aged 58 years.

CARLSON.—Killed at Hohnsen, Anhwei, on Sunday afternoon, December 12, 1937, Captain Carl Harry Carlson, age 41, while in command of the Standard-Vacuum Oil Company's s.s. Mel An.

NEWMAN.—On Tuesday, December 14, 1937, at Lane 235, House 7, Yu Yuen Road, Mary Ann Newman, aged 51 years, widow of the late Mr. E. F. F. Newman.

BROADLEY.—Suddenly at Shanghai on December 15, 1937, Ronald Broadley, aged 28 years, son of Mrs. J. A. Broadley, and of the late Mr. J. R. Broadley.

VETTER.—On Wednesday, December 15, 1937, at 83 Carter Road, Mrs. Marie Vetter, aged 66 years.

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"TRUST US, BRITAIN!"

Japan is asking Great Britain to trust her to look after British interests in Canton if and when the new puppet regime she has contemplated establishing in Kwangtung, becomes an accomplished fact. One of the great traits of the British character is tolerance and British post-war politics have been noteworthy for the burning desire, often at the expense of Britain's own interests and the jeopardy of her own colonial territories, to see the other's point of view.

Ever since, and because of, the abrogation of the Anglo-Japanese alliance in 1922, Britain has been trying to view the Far Eastern horizon with special concern for Japanese interests. Britain has, in that time, as the result of this policy, sacrificed a great deal to Japan. What has been the result? At every turn Japan has bit, and hit as hard as she could, at British interests. Overlooking the past decade, let us examine some of Japan's acts of "goodwill" to Britain during the present hostilities. A Union Jack was flying on the motor car bearing the British Ambassador to China, Sir Hugh Knatchbull-Hugessen, on a trip from Nanking to Shanghai recently when Japanese planes bombed the car and then proceeded to machine-gun it. After having apologised for this barbarous act, the same thing was repeated on another British Embassy car a couple of weeks later, although a large Union Jack was painted on the roof of the car. The British Charge d'Affaires, Mr. R. G. Howe, was proceeding from Canton to Kowloon in a train which bore a large Union Jack on the roof. The Japanese had been told that Mr. Howe and his party were aboard the train and yet Japanese planes flew ahead of the train and bombed the permanent way. British ships were repeatedly bombed by Japanese planes in Chinese rivers.

Until a few days ago, Japan had been telling the world in general that she had no territorial designs in China but it has since been announced that this policy will undergo a change if the situation demands it. It is not indicated exactly what the developments are that might cause Japan to change her mind so that the statement must be regarded as yet another example of the extraordinary policy which Japan has adopted in regard to China and foreign interests in that country.

British soldiers were killed by Japanese airmen at Shanghai. And finally, as a slap in the face for all Western peoples, a great exhibition of Japanese military might paraded the streets of the International Settlement and French Concession in Shanghai. What was the reason for all this? What other than a demonstration of the might, majesty, dominion and power of Japan who regards with contempt the combined powers of Europe and laughs at the United States of America. Especially is Japan's intention to show that Britain is a back number. The statement in a Japanese newspaper that the real war was not against China but against Britain was not merely a piece of Oriental journalistic rhetoric. It was the plain truth. Japan wants to get Britain out of China and if Britain's vested interests are lost in the getting, Japan will be all the more pleased. British effort and enterprise, to a far greater extent than those of any other country, built up the International Settlement. To the Chinese it has been demonstrated that these are at the mercy of Japan. The hundred thousand Chinese dead, who lay stamped into the marshes and creeks north of the Settlement were not a more impressive sign of Japan's power.

It may be said: "But Britain retains her rights, no matter what ignorant Chinese speculators may think." Does she? Unless much greater energy is shown in their defence than has been hitherto, the ignorant Chinese spectator will have displayed the truer judgment. Japan is now stated to be ready to come south and attempt to establish a puppet regime in Kwangtung, and, bowing in the true Nipponese style, she says to Britain: "Trust us to look after your interests!"

EXCHANGE CONTROL

Although the decision of Japan to apply exchange control laws to Manchuria, with discrimination in favour of Japan, can hardly be termed as a surprise, in view of her notorious breaches of faith of recent months, international indignation has been aroused and the British Consul-General at Mukden has already lodged a protest while the Ambassador to Tokyo has also made the same representations. France and America, who also have large trade interests which will be adversely affected by the move, have taken action on the same lines, for this latest move on the part of Japan is in direct contravention to the emphatic promises made by her when the invasion of Manchuria was in progress, namely, that the principle of the open door would be preserved.

It is no use hiding the fact that the great market of Manchuria is of vital interest to British concerns as well as to the trading interests of all manufacturing countries, thus Japan's latest move can only be regarded as retaliation for the opposition she has received from the Powers since the beginning of the present campaign in China. The hoped-for recognition of Manchukuo has not been realised and the efforts, generally, to stem the tide of war put Japan in an unpleasant mood.

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THE VIKINGS IN ENGLAND

It would be surprising if a virile people like the Vikings had had no influence on English art other than that of destruction. We can trace to them the styles of stone carving known as "Jelling" and "Ringerike" after two places in Scandinavia. The former brought to the English a new beast, different from those which clambered about in the Anglian vineyards, a creature with a double outline, spiral joints, back-bent head and a flap to its nose; you can see one, with all these features, on a broken grave-slab at Levisham in Yorkshire. The Ringerike style is harder to describe; it is marked by its treatment of leaf ornament: the leaves resemble long fingers or tongues with a small curl at the end, and are often collected loosely together in a bundle or bouquet. More important than either of these is the introduction of wheel-head crosses. They seem to have spread from the Isle of Man by three routes: to Cumberland and across Yorkshire; to Chester and from there, south-east; to south Wales and Cornwall.

On the whole they (the Vikings) did England as much good as harm. They brought with them a strong sense of personal freedom—and the ideal, new to the Saxons, that crime was disgraceful and not a matter to be settled by the mere payment of a fine. In material things they had a very high standard of civilization, and in weapons, metalwork and shipbuilding they were more advanced than most of the peoples whose countries they visited. They lived more intensely than any of their contemporaries, and contact with such vital folk must have braced and invigorated the English, as a sword is toughened in the fire and sharpened on the stone.

SYDNEY BRIDGE SENSATION

Youth Dies After Crash

A young man fell 190 feet from the centre of the Sydney Harbour Bridge into the water recently and was alive when he was picked out of the water more than an hour later.

He was rushed to Sydney Hospital by the Central District Ambulance, where doctors and nurses fought to save his life but he suffered terrible injuries and died some hours later. He struck the water with such great force that all his clothes except his shoes and trousers were torn off. He fell feet first. The soles of his shoes were ripped off by the shock of the impact, and the uppers were driven up his legs to the knees. His trousers clung to his body by only a few threads.

John Tames of North Sydney, was reading in his room about midnight when he heard a loud splash, and heard a man screaming. Tames dressed, and ran to the waterfront, but by the time he reached it the calls had ceased, and he could not see anything in the dark water. A young man and a girl, who were walking home, also heard the splash and the cries.

Tames ran more than a mile to the North Sydney police station in his bare feet to give the alarm. When he arrived he was so breathless that it was some time before he was able to give a coherent account of what had occurred.

Constables MacKay and Anderson began to search the water under the bridge in the water police launch Osiris just before midnight. They were about to abandon their efforts about 1.30 a.m., believing that the tide had carried the man away, when they heard a faint groaning and saw a man struggling feebly in the water. They lifted him aboard the launch and raced to the police boatshed. Constable Lechleitner had heard the four warning blasts on the siren of the Osiris. He was waiting on the wharf with a stretcher after calling the ambulance, when the Osiris drew alongside.

The man appeared to be conscious when the police lifted him into the launch. He mumbled something, and then lapsed into unconsciousness.

HONG KONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION

4TH SUBMARINE FLOTILLA R.C. DEFEAT MIDDLESEX R.C.

There was another large attendance at the mid-week Spoon and Practice Shoot, held by the Hong Kong Rifle Association on the Army Ranges at Kowloon City yesterday afternoon, when a match took place concurrently with the Spoon and Practice Shoot between members of the Rifle Clubs of the Fourth Submarine Flotilla and the 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment. The match resulted in a win for the sailors by the narrow margin of two points, and it should be explained that all the soldiers used the "rifle as issued" and were given a handicap of 7 points for each of the six members of the Flotilla R.C. who were using the "1914" weapon, with aperture sight and sling.

Weather conditions were, on the whole, good, but the light was too dull for the comfort of many competitors, while the wind at 300 yards was of varying strength and direction, and was blowing sufficiently hard to make shooting difficult. The outstanding feature of the match was undoubtedly the all-round level of the Aggregate obtained by the members of each team, while the high average made by the members using the "rifles as issued" augurs well for the team which will use this rifle when shooting in the S.R. (a) team in the Inter-Colonial Match next week.

LOW SCORING

That the change in temperature, dull light, and difficult wind adversely affected many of those shooting yesterday afternoon is demonstrated by the low scoring, particularly in the S.R. (b) class, and it is obvious that more than one of such members is not yet alive to the fact that the advantage of the six hole eyepiece in the aperture sight, lies in the ability to change from the eyepiece normally used to one of larger diameter in a dull light.

The annual Wapenschaw Shoot, normally held on Boxing Day, has been postponed until the Sunday shoot on the morning of January 23rd, since, owing to the large number of members who are expected to take part in this competition, the only range where sufficient target accommodation available is at Kowloon City.

THE "BULLETIN"

The December issue of the Association's monthly magazine, the "H.K.R.A. Bulletin," will be published immediately after Christmas, and will be found to contain many interesting photographs, with news of equal interest regarding the activities of the Association, both in the past, and projected for the future.

Information has been received from the Singapore Rifle Association that that Association and the Federated Malay States Volunteer Rifle Association have agreed to the Conditions of Shooting suggested by the H.K.R.A. for an annual match between members of these three Associations. Since this reply was received, a letter has come to hand from the Ceylon Rifle Association also agreeing to the proposed conditions for this shoot, and the matter is now being actively pursued with the organisations mentioned.

The Honorary Secretary of the Shanghai Rifle Association, who has been visiting the Colony, recently had an interview with the Honorary Secretary, H.K.R.A., when it was agreed that the conditions of the annual Inter-Port Shoot should be revised in certain of those respects which led the H.K.R.A. to withdraw from the match, and this matter is also receiving the attention of those affected.

The scores made yesterday afternoon in the match referred to above, and the leading scores of the usual Spoon and Practice Shoot are as follows:—

4TH SUBMARINE FLOTILLA R.C.

	300 Yds.	500 Yds.	600 Yds.	Grand Total.
Lieut. Jenks	31	29	31	91
E. R. A. Haynes	33	32	32	97
E. R. A. Seymour	31	33	27	91
P. O. Hinds	31	30	32	93
P. O. Clark	33	34	29	96
L/Sea. West (a)	22	18	23	63
L/Sea. Knight	30	29	25	84
A. B. Looker (a)	28	28	25	79
Range Total	237	233	224	694

1ST BN. MIDDLESEX REGIMENT R.C.

	300 Yds.	500 Yds.	600 Yds.	Grand Total.
Lieut. Pullman	26	28	30	84
Pte. Moss	26	32	29	87
L/Cpl. Langford	30	31	30	91
L/Cpl. Baker	25	32	25	82
Pte. Cox	28	28	28	84
L/Sgt. Jordan	23	30	30	83
Pte. Middleton	28	27	24	79
Pte. Lever	22	14	23	59
Range Total	211	222	217	650

Handicap 42

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S.R. (b)

Score at Score at Score at Aggregate.

	Ass'n.	300 Yds.	500 Yds.	600 Yds.	Score
	H'cap.	Nett	Nett	Nett	Nett
1.—E.R.A. W. E. Haynes.....	scr.	33	32	32	97*
2.—P.O. C. Clark.....	3	33	34	29	96
3.—P.O. A. C. Hinds.....	4	31	30	32	93†
4.—Lieut. Jenks.....	scr.	31	29	31	91
5.—E.R.A. L. F. Seymour.....	2	31	33	27	91
6.—Sgt. Mannell.....	scr.	30	31	29	90
7.—E.A. T. G. Johns.....	—	31	30	29	90

All the above competitors used the "1914" rifle.

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S.R. (a)

1.—L/Cpl. R. Langford	5	30	31	30	91†
2.—Pte. E. Moss	7	26	32	29	87†
3.—L/Sgt. E. J. Jordan	6	26	30	30	86†
4.—Lieut. Pullman	7	25	28	30	84
5.—P.O. H. Richards	6	30	30	23	83
6.—Lieut. L. B. Holmes	6	24	29	30	83
7.—L/Cpl. T. F. Baker	6	25	32	25	82
8.—Pte. A. H. Cox	9	28	28	26	82
9.—Pte. T. Smith	10	24	28	29	81
11.—Pte. W. Cranston	9	25	30	25	80
12.—L/Cpl. J. Baird	9	28	25	27	80

*—Denotes the winner of the "nett" spoon.

†—Denotes the winner of the "handicap" spoon.

NOTE.—The handicap of each winner has been reduced by one point as shown. This procedure applies to all S.R. (a) and S.R. (b) Spoon Shoots.

Of 62 persons who have fallen from the Harbour Bridge since it was opened in May, 1932, only six survived the fall. All except this youth were rescued quickly. Four died from their injuries, but two recovered.

ITALY TO CEDE JUBALAND TO GERMANY

Paris, Dec. 22.
A French paper reports that Italy is contemplating ceding Jubaland in Africa to Germany.—
Reuter's Bulletin.

SETTLEMENT WITHOUT WAR, BRITAIN'S AIM

Importance Of Recent International Talks

CHAMBERLAIN REVIEWS FOREIGN AFFAIRS IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

London, Dec. 21.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, (Prime Minister) speaking in the foreign affairs debate in the House of Commons this afternoon, referred to various recent international conversations. He emphasised it was never the expectation or intention of the Government that these conversations should produce immediate results. They were conversations and not negotiations. In their course, no proposals were made, no pledges given and no bargains struck. Their object was to establish personal contact and arrive at clear understandings on each side of the policies and outlook of different governments.

As the result of Lord Halifax's visit to Germany, he thought he might say that they now had a fairly definite idea of the problems which were in the view of the Government and had to be solved if they were to arrive at a condition of European affairs that all desired in which nations might look upon one another with the desire to co-operate instead of regarding each other with suspicion and resentment.

The visit must be considered as the first step towards a general effort at what was sometimes called general settlement, to arrive at a position, in fact, when reasonable grievances might be removed, when suspicions had been laid aside and when confidence had been again restored.

VAN ZEELAND MISSION

That obviously postulated that all must make their contribution towards the common end. Also, conclusions could not be hurried or forced. A certain period of time lay before them during which further study and exploration must take place. What had happened so far was only the preliminary, to be more extended, but he had hope of a more fruitful future. He appealed for restraint and toleration by the press.

Mr. Chamberlain next referred to the van Zeeland Mission. The report on the enquiries that M. van Zeeland had made in a number of different countries on the possibility of measures to improve the general international commerce, was nearly ready. "I should like to express my gratitude and appreciation of the public spirit shown by van Zeeland in undertaking this work in the midst of all his other preoccupations, and in personally giving his attention and great ability to this important subject."

He reminded the House, however, that though economic problems must always be an important subject in any endeavours to bring about a better state of affairs in Europe, economic agreement was much more likely to receive favourable consideration if it been preceded by some improvement in the political situation beforehand.

FRENCH VISIT

The visit of the French Prime Minister and Foreign Minister to London was the next subject of the Prime Minister's speech. He said the harmony which was proved to exist between the French and British Governments on all important issues had been a source of deep satisfaction to His Majesty's Government. In these conversations, there had been no attempt either on one hand to break or weaken friendship and groups of powers in opposition to one another.

"We believe, although different countries have different methods of managing their own affairs, that there is some thing common to them all and that is the desire to improve their own conditions. Since we believe the fulfilment of that desire can only be achieved by the help of others and by a real understanding and effort to meet each other's needs, anything we can do to promote harmony and remove legitimate causes of grievances among nations may well bring its own reward."

SPAIN AND ITALY

In reference to Spain, Mr. Chamberlain said he thought there had been a perceptible lessening of tension in Europe in the past six months, and he put that down largely to the fact that the Spanish situation had become less acute, and he thought he might claim that the policy of the Government regarding non-intervention had played a most important part in securing that.

The Prime Minister agreed with the Opposition Leader, who pre-

ceded him, in regarding that the Italian notice of withdrawal from the League was making very little real difference to the situation. The British Government would continue to give the League their warmest support in the belief that it could still afford a nucleus for better and more comprehensive organisation for the maintenance of peace.

The objective of the Government in foreign affairs, the Prime Minister declared in conclusion, was general settlement of the grievances of the world without war.—*British Wireless.*

COLONIES QUESTION

London, Dec. 21.

Mr. Winston Churchill, referring to the question of the restoration of war conquests, said Britain was not called upon to express an opinion regarding that until a specific request was formally made to her, but if and when it was made, Britain should say she was ready to discuss it in a friendly spirit, provided every other country, or the bulk of countries who made such conquests, were ready to discuss the situation on equal terms. There must be no singling out of Britain to be the only Power invited to make those sacrifices.

"He was not asking the British Government to make any immediate declaration of its intentions with regard to German colonies, but though there were a very large number of people in Great Britain who would be willing to make sacrifices to meet German wishes if they could be assured that this meant a genuine and lasting peace in Europe, none of them would yield a scrap of territory just to keep the Nazi kettle boiling.—*Reuter.*

EDEN'S DENIAL

London, Dec. 21.

Mr. Anthony Eden, winding up the debate, categorically denied the suggestion in certain quarters that the Government intended to try and make a settlement with Germany in the colonial field on the basis of a deal at the expense of other colonial Powers. He added: "Just as we are not seeking a solution to the colonial problem at the expense of other Powers, so we are not seeking a solution of European difficulties at the expense of other Powers in Europe."—*Reuter.*

WINTER INCREASES DEATH TOLL

Chinese Refugees Frozen In Shanghai Streets

Shanghai, Dec. 22: The arrival of winter has been followed by a heavy increase in the death rate among Chinese refugees in Shanghai.

The daily average for the past three weeks was 433 of which 371 were children. Many of the victims were found frozen in the streets. More than 40,000 Chinese refugees have died during the past four months.—*Reuter.*

NEW SUBMARINE FOR POLAND

Warsaw, Dec. 22: It is announced that the Polish submarine Orzeł will be launched on January 15, 1938. The cost of building the submarine has been delayed by collections organised during the past three years by the "naval defence fund."—*Transocean.*



Sheds with station to the right after Japanese bombing on October 15, 1937. Station badly shattered except for office of station master. Thanks to good air raid discipline only one death from bombing. Three were wounded.

WINDSORS AT CANNES

May Visit America Next Month

Paris, Dec. 22: The Duke and Duchess of Windsor arrived at Cannes yesterday. They will spend the Christmas holidays at villa "La Vie" which belongs to Mr. and Mrs. Rogers who are close friends of the ducal couple.

Regarding the future intentions of the Duke there are various versions. According to one of these, the ducal pair intend to go to the Austrian Tyrol in the middle of January while another declares that the Duke and Duchess plan to pay a visit to the United States in January.

The Duke, it is added, intends to make the journey to the United States in the French liner Normandie.—*Transocean.*

NEW AIR SERVICE

Hankow, Dec. 22.

The Eurasia Aviation Company are inaugurating to-morrow a service between Kunning and Hanoi. The round trip will be made weekly on every Thursday. The plane leaves at 8 a.m. and arrives at Hanoi at 10:45 a.m. leaving again at 11:15 a.m. to arrive at Kunning at 2 p.m. The service will enable a link with the French air liners to Europe via India. Inauguration of the service puts Hankow in touch, serially, with Europe by Eurasia's Hankow, Kunning as well as Hong Kong and Hankow services.—*Reuter.*

COL. HASHIMOTO

Leaves Wuhu Command

Shanghai, Dec. 22.

Colonel Hashimoto, commander of the Japanese troops at Wuhu at the time of the attack on the British and American gunboats, has left his command and returning to Japan. A Japanese spokesman at Shanghai said he was unable to say whether he was recalled or that he is giving up his command as the alternation of disposition of his troops.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

COLLECTIVE FINE IMPOSED

Telephone Wires Cut In Town Of Hebron

Jerusalem, Dec. 22.

A collective fine of £2,750 was imposed on the town of Hebron for cutting telephone wires while £2,000 was imposed on the village because an Arab mounted police was found shot there on Saturday morning after he had been missing the previous night.

An omnibus in Jerusalem was attacked to-day when one Jew was injured.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

GALE TAKES HEAVY DEATH TOLL

Tokyo, Dec. 22.

An enormous deathroll is feared to have been taken by gales in south-west Korea on December 18, when 600 fishing boats were reported to have been lost.—*Reuter.*

EDEN'S SPEECH ON FAR EAST

Close Co-operation With America

PRESS COMMENTS

London, Dec. 22.

The passage in the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Eden's speech in the House of Commons debate last night which attracts most attention in the press is that in which he laid down the three principles which guide Britain in dealing with the grave and complex problems in the Far East.

"First we must do all we honourably can to secure the restoration of peace; secondly, we must do our full share with others in the fulfilment of our international obligations; and, thirdly, we must protect our own interests and, of course, British territory. There is a very important aspect of this Far Eastern situation," he added, "which we can view with satisfaction. It is that we are constantly and daily in consultation with the Government of the United States. Over and over again we have taken either parallel or similar action and that in itself is indication of the closeness of such collaboration."

Mr. Eden added that he could not say more on the subject at the present.

Newspapers are content not to press for further information. Referring to the reference to consultations with the United States, the "Manchester Guardian" says, "with that all important statement we must remain content."

The "Daily Telegraph" says that Mr. Eden's statement that there is true unity of outlook between Britain and the United States is an aspect of the situation everyone will view with satisfaction.

The "Times" comments that a most remarkable feature of the debate was the great measure not merely of underlying but of openly expressed unity in the speeches from all parts of the House. This unity of feeling, it adds, emerged in all references to difficulties with Japan and in the satisfaction with which the House received Mr. Eden's emphatic declaration that "we should defend our interests in the Far East and should work in

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KELLOGG PACT AUTHOR DEAD

Brilliant Diplomat And Lawyer

New York, Dec. 22: The death has occurred of Frank B. Kellogg, co-author of the Kellogg Peace Pact, at the age of 86.—*Reuter.*

The Hon. Frank B. Kellogg, LL.D., one of the greatest American diplomats of his day, was born in Potsdam, New York, in 1851, but at an early age moved with his parents to Minnesota, where he took up the study of law. He became one of the most brilliant and successful lawyers in the country, being President of the American Bar Association in 1912, and was elected to the Senate in 1916 to represent Minnesota on the Republican ticket.

He was appointed Ambassador to Great Britain in 1921, and later acted as Secretary of State from 1925-1929. He was from 1930-1935 a Judge in the Permanent Court of International Justice at the Hague.

He is remembered best perhaps, by his association with the Paris Peace Pact, commonly known as the Kellogg Pact (although the late French Premier, Mr. Briand, also played a great part in bringing it to being), which was signed on August 27, 1928 by 15 nations, all pledging themselves to renounce war as an instrument of national policy. For his work he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1930.

FUNDS FOR PLAGUE PREVENTION

Chungking, Dec. 22: The Ministry of Finance has appropriated \$160,000 to finance plague prevention work which is now being carried on in China, with the assistance of physicians sent out by the League of Nations.—*Central News.*

closest co-operation with the United States.—*British Wireless Service.*



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HANGAR BOMBED AT LANCHOW

Planes Of Soviet Make Set Ablaze

Shanghai, Dec. 22.

A Japanese communiqué says that the Japanese naval and air force yesterday visited Lanchow the capital of Kansu province 1,000 miles west of Shanghai and bombed a big hangar which was set ablaze together with six large sized and two small sized planes all of Soviet manufacture on the ground. In the ensuing air combat the communiqué says that the Japanese raiders brought down ten battle planes which were also of Soviet make.—*Reuter.*

NO OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Tokyo, Dec. 22.

It is understood that investigation in the Panay and H.M.S. Ladybird incidents, have "not reached such a stage as to warrant issue of a further official

IMPENDING ATTACK ON SOUTH CHINA NOT IMMINENT

Canton, Dec. 22.

Despite the threatening Japanese drive towards South China, military authorities here believe that the impending attack is not imminent.

It is pointed out that the Japanese army is concentrating its attention on Tsingtao and the Yangtze Valley, and has insufficient forces for the invasion of South China.

Moreover, in Canton, unlike Shanghai, the river is shallow and large Japanese naval vessels cannot go up as far as Whampoa. Besides the Japanese have no base for military operation in South China.—*International News Agency.*

statement." The Japanese Government is gathering all available information on the matter.—*Reuter.*

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A splendid last-minute rally when two clear goals down saw the Hong Kong Hockey Club turn an almost sure defeat into a creditable draw in their Triangular Tournament game with the Army on the Club ground yesterday. The two teams were well-matched and though the Army were perhaps a trifle unlucky to have victory snatched away so suddenly when only a few minutes remained for play, a draw is perhaps a fairer reflection of the respective merits of the sides.

Both teams played fast, first-time hockey, and though mistakes there were, one's final impression of the match is that it was probably the best game in the Tournament so far this season.

The Army forward line were not so much in the ascendancy as they usually are, for in Bates, W. Reed and J. E. Potter they had a very hard half-back line to pass before getting anywhere near the goal. Reed did not quite reach the same heights as in the match against the Royal Navy, but he played sufficiently well to be one of the best players in view.

HARD-WORKING FORWARDS

The Club forward line were a tremendously hard-working lot but they were pretty well looked after by Ray, Stapleton and Tara Singh, the last-named in particular being most dogged in his attentions.

The first goal came about half-way through the first half, when Partaube broke through and scored with a good shot. The Army were definitely having more of the ball at this stage and continued to do so most of this half, though there were sporadic Club attacks. Shortly after the interval a combined Army movement found Bux in possession inside the circle with only the goalie to beat, and he made no mistake about it.

KEEN DEFENCE

The Club then put on pressure but repeated attempts to get through were broken up by the keen Army defence. Ten minutes from full-time the score was unchanged and with the leaders showing no signs of cracking, it looked long odds on an Army win. Then another forward movement saw the Club in Army territory, a shot from long range was sent in, and the Army goalie rather carelessly kicked it out. Divett, who was watching keenly, rushed in and sent the ball into the net, first-time. A fine piece of opportunism.

The Army returned to the attack but with Willie Reed giving his forwards a helping hand and more, the ball was taken back into their territory, and a melee in front of goal resulted in Divett scoring with a very fast shot from a range of a few feet. Less than a minute from the bully-off the final whistle was blown.

Teams:

Club:—V. M. Benwell; R. A. Wallace, E. V. Reed; R. A. Bates, W. A. Reed, J. E. Potter; S. Fowler, T. Whitley, G. E. R. Dwyer (Capt.).
B. I. Bickford, and V. Bond.
Army:—Wilson; Stuckley and Kishan Singh; L. Cpl. Ray, Capt. Stapleton and Tara Singh; Khuda Bux, Lt. Sawal Khan, Lt. Pritam Nath, Ram and Partaube.

Sporting
Fixtures

TO-DAY

Bridge.—Cheero Club Contract Bridge, 8 p.m.

Cricket.—Triangular Tournament, Army v. Navy (Club-ground). Football.—Army Football League Final, "A" Coy. Middlesex v. "A" Coy., Seaford (Sookunpoo), 3 p.m.

Distribution of prizes.
Hockey.—Seaford v. Police (Sookunpoo), 2.30 p.m.

Meeting.—Victoria Chess Club, at Gloucester Hotel, 5 p.m.

Shooting.—N. R. A. Overseas Practice (Kowloon City ranges), 2 p.m.

Tennis.—R.A.O.C. Association (Ladies Branch) Tennis, at Sookunpoo.

YESTERDAY'S RUGBY

In a rugby encounter with the Combined Small Units, the Club "A" came out victors by a score of 8-0. The game was played yesterday afternoon on the Club ground, Happy Valley.

TRAINING GALLOPS

Times Taken At Happy Valley

The following times were taken during the training gallops at the Race Course yesterday:—

	Dis- tance	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	5th Qr.	Last Qr.
Sub-Griffin No. 56 (S) & Sub-Griffin No. 104 (S)	1 43	1.20.2	1.53				32.3
See That (A)	1 42	1.20.2	1.54.4				34.2
Alber (A) Vibra (G)	1 41.2	1.21	1.53.2				31.2
Bredon (A)	1 40	1.19	1.52.2				33.2
National Pride (G) & National Defence (G)	1 34	1.06.3	1.38.1				31.3
Sea Spray (A)	1 48	1.36	2.21				45
Sub-Griffin No. 57 (S) & No. 93 (S)	1 47	1.34.1	2.19	2.51			32
Merrick (S) & Golden Brew (S)	1 48	1.32.2	2.19	2.55.2			36.2
Jobber (G)	1 34.4	1.13.3	1.52.2	2.23.2			31
Lancashire Lass (G) & Lancashire Boy (G)	1 51.4	1.35	2.04				29
Charlybids (S)	1 48	1.29	2.08.1	2.41.3			33.2
National Crisis (A) & Captain Blood (S)	1 46	1.25	1.59	2.29			30
Salvage Master (S) & Harmony Eve (G)	1 42	1.20.3	1.57.2	2.31.4			34.2
Simonian Eve (A) & Full Mark (S), Lucky Seven (S) & Lucky Eleven (S)	1 47	1.29.3	2.06.4	2.36.4			30
Borrachito (S) & Piet Hein (S)	1 53	1.44	2.28	3.02			34
Arabian Cat (S)	1 43	1.23	2.01	2.33			32
Jack High (S)	1 39.2	1.20.2	2.02	2.34			32
Astrik (S)	1 41.3	1.22	2.03	2.36.3			33.3
Eagle (S) & Golden Idol (S)	1 44	1.23	2.03.3	2.41.3			38
National Triumph (S) & Victory (S) & Sub-Griffin No. 55 (S)	1 44	1.27	2.08	2.45			37
Split Hand (S) & Sea Dragon (S)	1 51	1.41	2.27	3.05			38
Cricketer (S)	47.4	1.28.1	2.03.2				35.1
Fel Ying (S)	45	1.31	2.18	2.56			38
African Cat (S) & Mongolian Cat (S)	43.3	1.23	1.57				34
Lancashire Chap (S) & National Dignity (S)	41.4	1.21	1.57.2	2.33.4			36.2
Five Virtues (S) & Reliance (S)	44	1.22	1.57.3	2.34			36.2
Sunshine Susie (S) & Cleeve (S)	1 53	1.46	2.36	3.10			34
The Leopard (S)	1 55	1.40.3	2.16				35.2
Mac's Second Adventure (S)	1 51	1.38	2.18	2.56			38
Daddy-Longlegs (S) & Urber (S)	1 47	1.33.4	2.12.2				38.3
On Your Toe (S)	1 42.2	1.25	2.02.4				37.4
(G)—Griffins. (S)—Subscription Griffins. (A)—Australians.							

TRIANGULAR
CRICKET
TOURNAMENTNavy Leading
Army

GOOD BOWLING

The Royal Navy have secured a first innings lead of 92 runs against the Army in the first match of the Triangular Cricket Tournament, which opened on the Hong Kong Cricket Club ground yesterday. The game will be resumed at 11 a.m. to-day. Scores:—

LT. Weedon c Ogle b Boucher	37
Cpl. Jones c Walters b Kyrke	10
LT. Macdonald c and b Boucher	25
Capt. Mackintosh-Walker	15
Carlless	3
LT. Beadnell c Woods b Boucher	3
LT. Godby c Woods b Boucher	7
Sgt. Paynter b Carlless	1
Q. M. S. Warr b Carlless	0
Pte. Hatfield b Carlless	0
LT. Barron run out	6
L/Cpl. Cheney not out	6
Extras	6
Total	116

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Kyrke	5	2	21	1
Cotman	2	10	—	—
Faxton	2	15	—	—
Carlless	10	2	32	4
Boucher	10	—	29	4
NAVY—1ST INS.				
A. B. Smith l.b.w. McHagan	39			
LT. Walters b Hatfield	21			
Capt. Whitmarsh run out	32			
LT. Cotman c McHagan b Barron	30			
Sub-Lt. Ogle b McHagan	18			
LT. Comdr. Pugh b Hatfield	11			
Comdr. Boucher c Jones b Barron	5			
Sub-Lt. Kyrke c Weedon b Barron	22			
Tel. Faxton l.b.w. Barron	14			
E. A. Wood not out	6			
Extras	10			
Total	208			

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Barron	18.3	5	66	4
Cheney	10	2	28	—
Hatfield	13	4	32	2
Paynter	3	1	5	—
Godby	3	—	30	—
McHagan	8	1	37	3

LOCAL YACHTING

Yesterday's Results

The Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club held Sweepstake Races yesterday afternoon and resulted as follows:—

"A" Class—Started at 14.45	
Finished Corr. Pos.	
Carpenter	16.42.54 16.43.54 4
(Major B. E. C. Dixon).	
Nereid II	16.40.50 16.40.50 3
(Capt. C. B. Barry, R.N.).	
Kittiwake	16.38.16 16.38.16 1
(Miss P. M. King).	
Jean	16.39.17 16.39.17 2
(Col. G. C. Cowland).	
"H" Class—Started at 14.55	
Diana	16.44.47 16.44.47 1
(Miss M. Whitman).	
Dorothea	15.55.55 16.52.51 2
(Mr. C. D. A. Ross).	
Aeriel, D.N.F. (Miss V. Buckley).	

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Strong Students'
Team Beat
Cambridge

Bedford P.T.C. 5
Cambridge L.H.C. 4
Bedford was damp and dismal but this match, in which the students of the Physical Training College beat Cambridge Ladies by 5 goals to 4, was a bright and brisk affair.

Midway through the second half Bedford P.T.C. led by 3 goals to 1 and Cambridge looked a beaten side, but they rallied, and Miss Staines, the centre-forward, who had already scored one goal, added two more in quick succession.

But the effort of drawing level took its toll and it was not long before the Students' made the score 5-3. Cambridge rallied again, and after a brilliant movement by the left wing Miss Stockbridge scored the fourth goal.

The Students' team, despite its youth, is a powerful combination. Cambridge, practically a county side, are a clever and experienced team, but they found the Students a little too much for them. P. Eccles (2) M. Williamson (2) and M. Conran scored for Bedford P.T.C., and M. Staines (3) and R. Stockbridge for Cambridge.

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SEVERE OFFICIAL TESTS

Mr. Geoffrey Lloyd, Parliamentary Under-Secretary, Home Office, in a speech on the second reading of the Air Raid Precautions Bill in the House of Commons, gave some account of experiments carried out to test the efficacy of recommendations made by the Home Office for protection against the types of poison gas which might be employed by hostile aircraft in time of war.

A report issued recently describes the experiments, which were conducted by the Chemical Defence Committee, in detail, and submits that the result combined to show that if the instructions given in a handbook circulated by the Air Raid Precautions Department are followed a very high standard of protection may be obtained.

The gist of the recommendations is that in the event of a raid people should go indoors, arrange for the room into which they go to be made as gas-proof as possible, and take with them respirators which would have been issued. The committee responsible for the experiments consists of scientists from the Universities of Oxford, and other experts, and some members have been continuously engaged on researches since gas was first used in war in 1915.

The experiments, the report states, were carried out with four different types of gas, and the house used was a gamekeeper's cottage with three rooms on the ground floor and three rooms upstairs. It was to a large extent sheltered by belts of trees which reduced the strength of the wind in the vicinity of the cottage to about one-eighth of that in the open.

UNPROTECTED ROOM

The first series of tests was to assess the degree of protection obtained in a house which had not been treated in any way. In one experiment over a ton of chlorine gas was released 20 yards from the house, so that the wind carried it straight to an unprotected room. A very strong gas cloud was thus maintained for about 40 minutes, during which time the gas gradually penetrated to the inside. A fire was burning in the hearth the whole time, and the only measures taken to exclude the gas consisted of closing the doors and windows in the normal way.

Human beings who occupied the unprotected room, found that gas penetrated slowly into the room and after about seven minutes it became necessary for them to put on their respirators. The quantity of gas concentrated on the house could, under practical conditions, only be obtained by several large bombs dropping very close to the building. The period of exposure to the maximum effects of the gas was many times longer than would normally be experienced.

In another experiment the house was enveloped in a cloud of mustard gas for an hour. Animals were placed in an unprotected room and remained there during a period of spraying and for a further 20 hours while the house was subjected to vapour given off from trays filled with gas. Observations made during the three subsequent days and also post-mortem examinations showed that none of the animals was seriously harmed by the mustard gas.

Tear gas was used for the third experiment, and the cottage was enveloped for an hour in an intense atmosphere produced by spraying the gas into the air at a point 10 yards upwind to the house. Men who were stationed 200 yards downwind from the house and in the track of the gas cloud were incapacitated in about a minute, and in some cases in 20 seconds. On the other hand, some men who occupied rooms in the house which had received no treatment beyond the closing of the windows and doors found no need to put on their respirators for the first 13 minutes. The tear gas gradually penetrated into these unprotected rooms, although after three-quarters of an hour the strength of the gas inside the house was still very much less than that outside.

In the fourth experiment the cottage was enveloped for 20 minutes in a dense cloud of arsenical smoke. Men occupying an unprotected room of the house found that the smoke penetrated into the room, but the strength of the cloud inside was much less than that outside. When civilian respirators were worn in this room complete protection was obtained. Men who were stationed 200 yards downwind of the house and in the path of the gas cloud were rapidly affected, but when they wore

civilian respirators no effects were felt.

These four examples, the report submits, clearly demonstrate that a house provides against falling spray, some measure of protection is afforded even by an ordinary unprotected room against gas clouds such as are produced by bombs close to the building.

PROTECTED ROOM

A second series of experiments was carried out with the same four gases to illustrate the added protection which can be obtained by treating a room in accordance with the instructions given in Air Raid Precautions Handbook No. 1. The room selected, was on the ground floor on the windward side of the cottage, so that it was subjected to the full effects of the gas and the wind. Instructions for excluding gas were carried out by unskilled men, and as the house was not provided with floor covering the joints between the boards of the floor were sealed up by pasting strips of paper along the joints. Two tons of chlorine gas were released 20 yards from the house, the time of emission being an hour.

Animals in an unprotected room were killed; but animals in the "gas protected" room were unaffected and remained normal, notwithstanding the severity of the trial. In the mustard gas experiment, at the end of 20 hours animals showed no evidence at all of the effects of gas, and measurements by chemical methods showed that the amount of gas inside the room was so small that a man could have remained there for the whole 20 hours without it being necessary for him to wear a respirator and without any subsequent ill effects.

Men who occupied the protected room during the test with tear gas were able to remain there for the hour of the experiment without respirators, becoming necessary. When arsenical smoke was used it was found that some irritation was caused to the nose and throat which eventually rendered the wearing of respirators desirable to ensure comfort. After putting on the respirator no discomfort was felt and men who left the room wearing their civilian respirators were able to traverse the densest part of the cloud without discomfort.

MOST SEVERE CONDITIONS

The experiments, the report states, were purposely designed to represent the most severe conditions likely to be met and the results all combined to show that if the instructions given in the air raid precautions handbook are carried out a very high standard of protection is obtained. "With regard to the first precaution," it has been shown that going indoors and closing the doors and windows affords some measure of protection, even though the room occupied has not been specially prepared. In these circumstances there is ample time to put on the respirator at leisure if this should be necessary. If the second precaution of rendering the room as gas-proof as possible has been carried out, then the occupants will normally be able to remain in complete safety and comfort without further protection. Under the most severe conditions sufficient gas may penetrate such protected rooms to be recognized or even to cause slight irritation. When this occurs the respirator can be put on, though in many cases this will be as a matter of convenience and extra precaution rather than real necessity. With regard to the civilian respirator, it has been shown that this will, in conjunction with the above precautions, provide complete safety for any period for which it is likely to be required. It has further been demonstrated that this respirator will enable the

"Broadminded Heretic" Needed

Lord Lothian, "official" candidate for the Chancellorship of Edinburgh University in succession to Sir James Barrie, and now to be opposed by Lord Tweedsmuir (John Buchan), was described at the University General Council as "a broadminded heretic."

Sheriff-substitute Neil McLean, who used this phrase, said the stimulus to be got from a broad-minded heretic like Lord Lothian was to the good of the University and all connected with it. He denied that Lord Lothian was a Roman Catholic.

The deep feeling that has lain under the prospect of the rival nominations was only partially revealed recently when, by an overwhelming majority, the Council decided that Lord Tweedsmuir will oppose the "official" candidate.

Lord Lothian was nominated some time ago by a representative committee of 50 members of the Council. When the nomination was put to the meeting at large a month ago, however, Lord Tweedsmuir was nominated as a rival candidate, and the meeting was adjourned so that Lord Tweedsmuir could be acquainted with the full facts.

The intimation that Lord

Tweedsmuir had decided that "he saw no reason for his withdrawal" was greeted with prolonged applause when disclosed to the meeting by his proposer, Dr. Edwin Bramwell.

Lord Lothian's claims to the Chancellorship were first put to the meeting by his proposer, Sheriff-substitute Neil McLean, who said that the committee had decided to nominate Lord Lothian after considering a number of names.

There were the names of very eminent Scotsmen who held high offices for the Crown in parts of the world outside the British Isles. "We definitely and deliberately put these names aside," he declared, "for two reasons. They held offices which necessitated their absence from Great Britain for the next three or four years. But the University cannot afford to have an absent Chancellor."

"It seemed to us, too, that it was not right to put up for an election such as this, one who held such high office in the State."

Lord Lothian's wide experience of public affairs and his deep interest in education matters made him well qualified to have their acceptance as new Chancellor. His in-

terest in education was shown more than anything by his recent gift of Newbattle Abbey—one of the greatest experiments in higher education outside of the Universities that Scotland had known.

Dr. Edwin Bramwell, Lord Tweedsmuir's proposer, declared that the Governor-General was one of the outstanding Scotsmen of to-day.

The duties of a Chancellor were lifelong, and they felt so strongly about Lord Tweedsmuir that they were well prepared to wait for two or three years if need be until he returned.

It was evident from the applause which greeted Dr. Bramwell that the majority of those attending the meeting were in support of Lord Tweedsmuir, and when a vote was taken on the nominations, 78 votes were recorded for Lord Lothian.

When those supporting Lord Tweedsmuir were asked to stand, however, so overwhelming was the majority that Sheriff McLean, with a gesture of his hand, said there was no need to count, and called for a poll.

The election will now, therefore, be carried out by post.

ART EXHIBITION

Readers are reminded of the exhibition of Mr. Pau Shu Yau's Chinese paintings, opening to-day on the 8th floor of China Building and continuing until Monday the 27th, daily 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Although Mr. Pau has been staying in the Colony for the last six years having made a tour to Japan and China and holding one-man exhibitions in Shanghai and other parts of China, this is the first time the Hong Kong Working Artists' Guild have been able to present an exhibition of the entire output of his work.

Mr. Pau is considered the most outstanding Chinese traditional artists in the Colony and in the account of Modern Chinese Art movement he was mentioned as one of the leading figures.

The range of subjects in the present exhibition include birds, animals, flowers, landscapes and figures, and the total number of exhibits is a little over 300. These include 20 pictures of which the entire proceeds produced from sale will be applied towards War Relief. The prices charged for these pictures are very low averaging only \$20 each as compared with those of other pictures in the show in spite of their high merit. Twenty cents, including catalogue, will be charged for entrance fee which will also be applied towards War Relief.

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Recruiting during November was the best in that month for the Regular Army since 1922, and for the Territorial Army since 1921.

The number of recruits approved during the month for the Regular Army was 2,635—an increase of 1,008 (or 62 per cent.) over the number for the corresponding month of last year. The number of recruits approved for the eight months of the present financial year (April to November) was 17,099, compared with 13,956 during the corresponding period of last financial year.

The number of recruits approved for the Territorial Army during November was 3,958—an increase of 1,201 (or 43.6 per cent.) over the number in the corresponding month last year.

The strength of the Territorial Army on December 1, was 9,938 officers and 149,012 other ranks, which represents an increase of 83 officers and 1,894 other ranks during the month.

Both the anti-aircraft divisions showed increases during the month, that for the 1st Anti-Aircraft Division being 766, and that for the 2nd Anti-Aircraft Division 114. "Times."

wearer to reach a place of safety even if he should for a time be exposed to the most dangerous situation—for example, if he is caught out of doors in a gas cloud, or if his gas-protected room becomes damaged and he is compelled to seek shelter elsewhere.

KING DESCRIBED AS "HONEST MAN"

GROWING STRENGTH OF WILL NOTED IN NEW BOOK

"England does not ask for a scholarly King or a witty King or one who lives in glamour. . . . The present King is an honest man."

This passage sums up the theme of "George VI," the new book of Mr. Hector Bolitho, published by Messrs. Eyre and Spottiswoode (7s. 6d.).

He tells many charming stories, gives many intimate glimpses of the King at work and play, and through them can be seen the striking likeness of the King to another honest man—his father.

"It is surprising to watch him. The movement of his hands the way he touches things and writes. . . . It is the same as his father."

So commented one of the King's cousins who had seen him hard at work at his desk.

CHANGE IN KING

"Those close to the King," says Mr. Bolitho, "noted a change in him almost overnight on his accession. It was as if the prayers of his people had been truly answered. His confidence grew, his calm and his dignity of purpose. Ministers were surprised by the growing strength of his will."

Mr. Bolitho finds that the key note of the King's character is courage and simplicity. He is not "palace-minded."

At the age of 24 the King was asked to take up the industrial welfare scheme and visit factories. He walked to a window at Buckingham Palace and said, "I will do it, but I don't want any of that damned red carpet."

One of King George VI's great qualities is his willingness to listen to advice, and he has the gift of being able to choose the best advisers. He is equally at home with men of varying shades of opinion, and not in the least abashed by extremes of Socialism.

PRINCE AND PETTICOAT

In Wales he was once met by Mr. Frank Hodges, secretary of the Miners' Federation, who was wearing a red tie and red carnation. As they passed a miner's cottage the Prince noticed a flaming red petticoat on a clothes-line. He nodded towards Mr. Hodges and then towards the petticoat.

"One of your supporters, Mr. Hodges?" he asked.

"The King may lack 'superficial social gifts,' says the author, but there is charm in his dry humour and freedom from all affectation. His comrades in the R.A.F. found him 'damned good company and specially adept at leap-frog.'

"Like his father, the King is 'impatient with humbug, and not in the least tardy in expressing indignation when he is displeased.'

Dealing with the abdication, Mr. Bolitho states—"On the eve of the Coronation a wave of refreshment seemed to pass through the land. Within the walls of Buckingham Palace there was a happily married couple joined together in love and unanimity," as the Prince Consort and Queen Victoria had been. . . . England was pleased and soothed.

GOOD MARRIAGE STRESSED

"English people still believe in the strength of good marriages. It was the ultimate basis of their reactions to the abdication of Edward VIII. We are a domesticated people, and when we pass

Buckingham Palace we are happy and we feel safe when we know that within there is a married couple. . . . England asks that its sovereign should be an example in domestic integrity and nobleness of motive."

The Queen, says Mr. Bolitho, will never dazzle the women of Great Britain with magnificence or seem like someone remote from themselves. She will always represent a standard as tangible to those who live in a villa in Ealing, in a tenement in Kennington, or in a lordly house set in a park. . . . "The standard is not exciting. It is the ideal prayed for so easily in every marriage service." Home correspondent.

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1 „ Full Rich Port
1 pt. Dom
1 „ Gordon's Creme de Menthe
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No 4 Hamper

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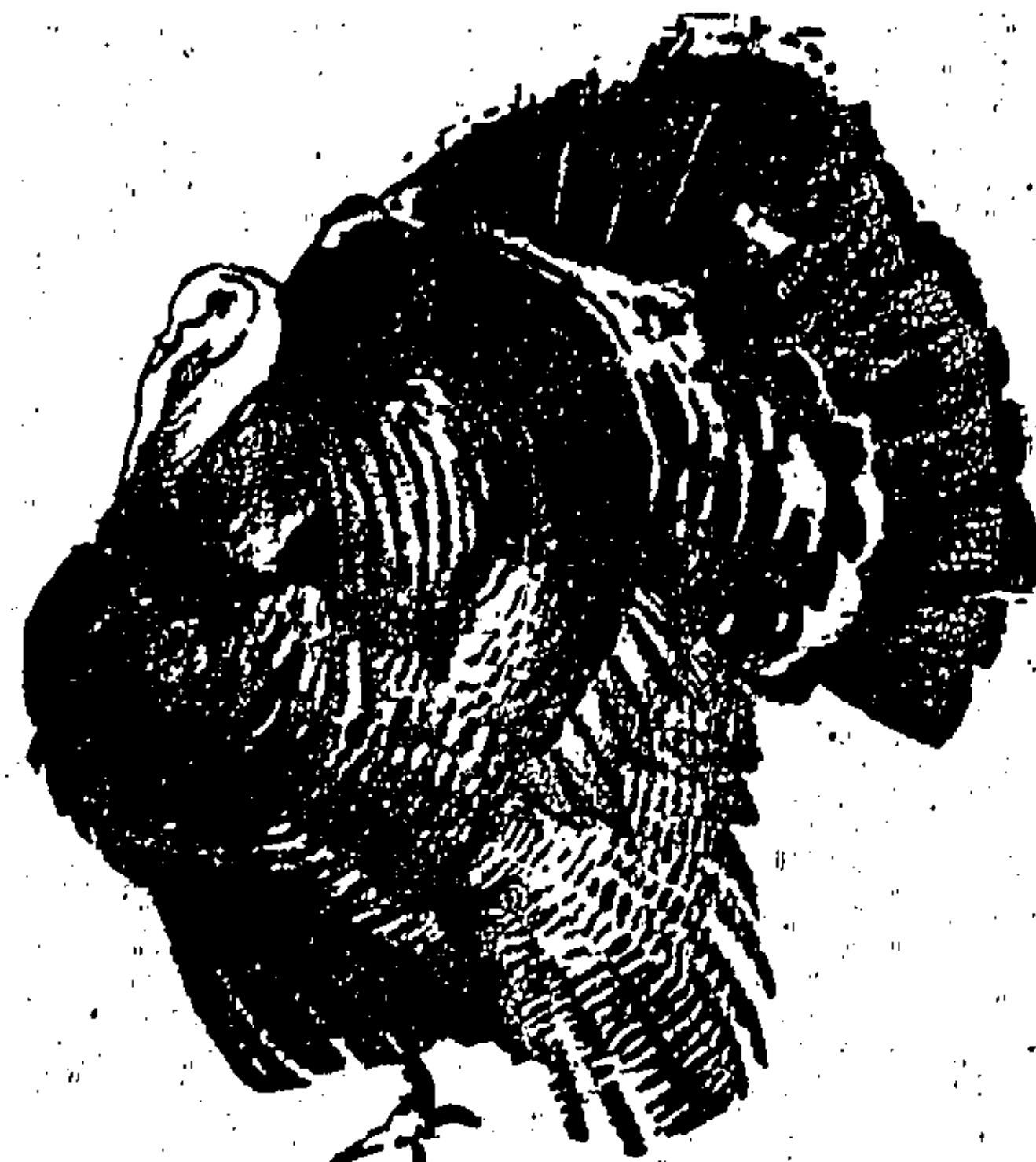
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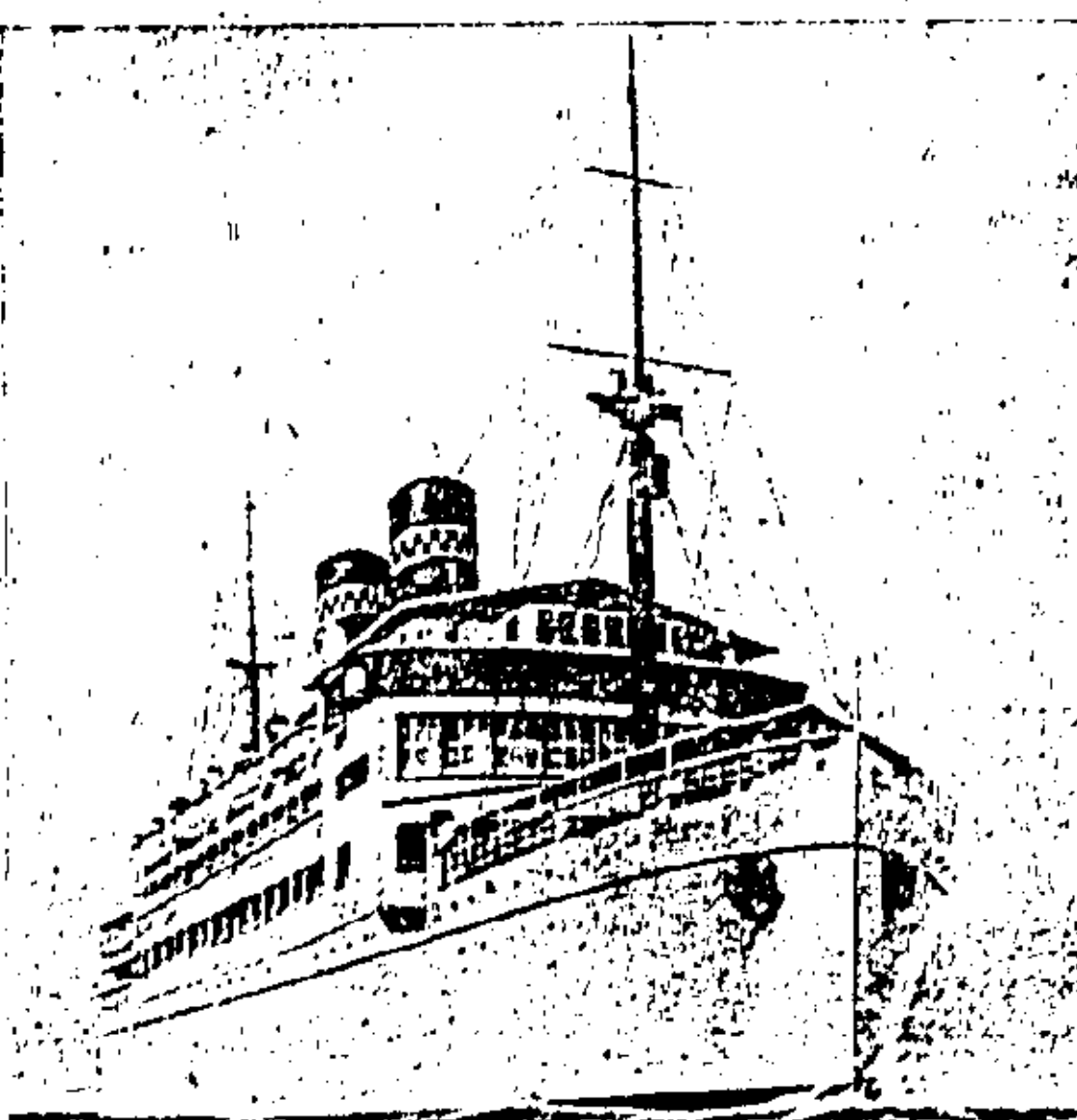
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New York/Cotton—Mar.	15.41	15.35	15.17	15.40	.23 up
Chicago Wheat—May.	82 1/2	81 1/2	81 1/2	81 1/2	1 1/2 up
Chicago Corn—May.	60 1/2	59 1/2	59 1/2	59 1/2	1 1/2 up
Winnipeg Wheat—May.	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	117 1/2	1 1/2 up
Silver—Official	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	unch.

1937	High	Low	Dow Jones Averages	Dec. 22	High	Low	Close	Change
124.40	123.84	20	Industrial	129.08	130.78	128.80	128.88	.90 up
84.46	80.15	20	Rail	32.68	32.98	32.43	32.65	.07 up
37.54	18.54	20	Utilities	31.80	32.06	31.61	31.61	01 up
106.69	91.14	40	Bonds	85.79	85.79	85.82	85.82	.03 up
82.44	82.03	11	Commodity Index	53.52	53.52	53.55	53.55	.03 up

Stocks	Dec. 20	21	Stocks	Dec. 20	21
Adams Express	94	94	Great Northern Ry.	25	25 1/2
Allis Chalmers	52 1/2	54	Great Western Sugar	27 1/2	27 1/2
Amer. Can.	74	74 1/2	Holly Sugar Corp.	—	—
Amer. Car & Foundry	—	—	Humble Oil	65 1/2	68 1/2
Amer. Cyanamid	22 1/2	23	Int. Nickel	45 1/2	46 1/2
Amer. & For. Power	44	44	Int. Tel. & Tel.	74	74 1/2
Amer. & For. \$7 pt.	23	21 1/2	Int. Dept. Stores	11	10 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	22 1/2	23	Kennecott Copper	39 1/2	39 1/2
Amer. Metals	32	32 1/2	Lambert Corp.	113	113 1/2
Amer. Radiator	13 1/2	13 1/2	Loew's Inc.	49 1/2	49 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	19 1/2	19 1/2	Lorillard	16 1/2	16 1/2
Amer. Smelting	52	52 1/2	McIntyre Porcupine	—	—
Amer. Steel Fdries.	25 1/2	25 1/2	McKesson & Robbins	31 1/2	31 1/2
Amer. Sugar	148 1/2	148 1/2	Monsanto Chemical	88	88
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	63 1/2	63	Montgomery Ward	36 1/2	36 1/2
Amer. Tobacco "B"	13 1/2	13 1/2	Murray Corp.	—	—
Amer. Waterworks	33 1/2	33 1/2	Nat. Cash Register	16 1/2	16 1/2
Anacosta Copper	41	41	Nat. Dairy Products	14	13 1/2
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.	—	—	Nat. Distillers	20 1/2	21
Atlantic Refining	8 1/2	8 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	8 1/2	8 1/2
Atlas Corp.	3 1/2	3 1/2	New York Central	20	20 1/2
Auburn Motors	—	—	Niagara Hudson P. Corp.	8 1/2	8 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive	—	—	North American	8 1/2	8 1/2
\$7 cum. pt.	—	—	Northern Pacific	12 1/2	12 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	12 1/2	12 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	26 1/2	26 1/2
Barnsdall Oil	14 1/2	14	Pacific Lighting	37 1/2	37 1/2
Bendix Aviation	60 1/2	62 1/2	Packard Motors	4 1/2	4 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	30 1/2	32	Paramount	10 1/2	10 1/2
Boeing Airplane	17 1/2	17	Pennsylvania R.R.	23	23 1/2
Borden Co.	22 1/2	22	Phelps Dodge	41	40
Briggs Manufacturing	—	—	Phillips Petroleum	33 1/2	33 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan	—	—	Public Service of N.J.	33 1/2	33 1/2
Trans.	—	—	Pullman Inc.	11 1/2	11 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan	—	—	Pure Oil	11 1/2	11 1/2
\$6 cum. pt.	28 1/2	27 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.	6 1/2	6 1/2
Case, J.I.	96	96	Republic Steel	19 1/2	19 1/2
Canadian Pacific	8	7 1/2	Reynolds Tobac. "B"	44 1/2	44 1/2
Celanese Corp. of	16 1/2	16 1/2	St. Joseph Lead Co.	25 1/2	25 1/2
America	39 1/2	38 1/2	Schenley	75 1/2	75 1/2
Cerro de Pasco	—	—	Schenley 5 1/2 pt.	61 1/2	63 1/2
Certain-Teed Pduca	47 1/2	48	Sears Roebuck	17 1/2	18
Chesapeake & Ohio	38 1/2	38 1/2	Shell Union Oil	15 1/2	15 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	58 1/2	58 1/2	Socony-Vacuum	21 1/2	21 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	9 1/2	9 1/2	Southern Cal Edison	21 1/2	21 1/2
Columbia Gas & El.	72 1/2	72	Southern Pacific	22 1/2	22 1/2
Columbia 6% "A" pt.	34 1/2	35	Southern Ry 5% pt.	14 1/2	14 1/2
Commercial Credit	7 1/2	7 1/2	Stand. Brands	8 1/2	8 1/2
Commercial Solvents	2	2 1/2	Stand. Gas & Elec.	25 1/2	25 1/2
Commonwealth & S	—	—	Stand. Gas & Elec.	25 1/2	25 1/2
Commonwealth \$8	43	44	\$7 pt.	49 1/2	49 1/2
cum. pt.	25 1/2	25	Standard Oil of N.J.	56 1/2	56 1/2
Consolidated Edison	94	94	Sterling Products	23 1/2	24 1/2
Consolidated Oil	31 1/2	31 1/2	Swift International	18 1/2	18 1/2
Continental Oil	60 1/2	60 1/2	Technicolor	28 1/2	28 1/2
Corn. Products	32 1/2	32 1/2	Texas Gulf Sulphur	15 1/2	15 1/2
Curtiss Wright (C)	152	152	Tidewater Assoc. Oil	11 1/2	11 1/2
Curtiss Wright "A"	172	172	Timken-Detroit Axle	21 1/2	21 1/2
Delaware & Hudson	8	8	Transamerica	28	28
Del. Lackawanna & Western	—	—	20th Cent. Fox Films	28	28
Distillers Corp. Sea-	15 1/2	15 1/2	Un. Carbide & Car-	78	78 1/2
grams	38 1/2	40 1/2	bon	86 1/2	86 1/2
Douglas Aircraft	120	119 1/2	Un. Pacific	25 1/2	26 1/2
Du Pont	7 1/2	7 1/2	United Aircraft	74	73
Electric Boat	10 1/2	10 1/2	Un. Airline Trans-	38	38
Elec. Bond & Share	53	54 1/2	port	32 1/2	32 1/2
\$5 pt.	59 1/2	58	United Corp.	104	104
Elec. Bond & Share	13 1/2	13 1/2	cum. pt.	32 1/2	32 1/2
\$8 pt.	46 1/2	47	Un. Gas Improvem't	32	32
Elec. Power & Light	16 1/2	17 1/2	Un. Light & power	21 1/2	21 1/2
\$7 pt.	25	25 1/2	"A"	27	27
Flintkote	44 1/2	45	U.S. Industrial Alco-	62	62 1/2
Gen. Asphalt	31 1/2	32 1/2	hol	16 1/2	17 1/2
Gen. Cigar	33 1/2	33 1/2	U.S. Rubber	61	61 1/2
Gen. Electric	23 1/2	23	U.S. Rubber \$8 pt.	62	62 1/2
Gen. Foods	41	41 1/2	U.S. Steel	16 1/2	16 1/2
Gen. Motors	23 1/2	23 1/2	Vanadium	41	41 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal	18 1/2	18 1/2	Warner Bros. Pict.	31	30 1/2
Gillette Safety Razor	19 1/2	19 1/2	Westinghouse Elec.	26 1/2	26 1/2
Golden	—	—	Youngstown	1 1/2	1 1/2
Gold Dust	—	—	& Tube	—	—
Goodrich (B.F.)	16 1/2	16 1/2	Chase National Bk	31	30 1/2
Goodrich \$5 pt.	52 1/2	52 1/2	National City Bank	1 1/2	1 1/2
Goodrich	19 1/2	19 1/2	Call Money	—	—

A BUSINESS MAN'S STORY

My Life. By Angus Watson.

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Mr. Angus Watson hardly does himself justice when he remarks in his foreword that he is not a writer but a business man. Throughout this autobiography there is abundant evidence of his literary gifts, for he combines graceful narration with powers of observation and, above all, a sense of humour.

Apart from the story of his outstanding success in business, he has had many-sided interests that enable him to discourse entertainingly on his social, religious and political work, while there is also a delightful chapter on his hobbies.

Of the many stories he tells there is a particularly striking one about his activities during the war. At the Ministry of Food he was able to give valuable service in the buying of enormous quantities of canned foods. Towards the close of the war he was offered by an American firm 48,000,000 cans of preserved food, provided that the British Government arranged shipping facilities.

Mr. Watson was instructed to purchase the goods on the Ministry's behalf, although the contract was entered in the name of his own company. The contract price was £1,000,000, immediate payment being stipulated. To his dismay he found that the Ministry,

through being overdrawn at the Treasury, would not be able to find the money for three weeks.

The food situation was too precarious to permit of the opportunity to buy being lost, but the problem was where to find the money in time. He could not face his own bankers because he was already overdrawn by half a million pounds. In his dilemma he went to his friend, the late Viscount Leverhulme, for whom he had once been a salesman.

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EDEN ASKS FOR BACKING

Referring to the Far East, Mr. Anthony Eden said that with regard to the advocacy of the Labour Members for sanctions, and that effective sanctions meant the risk, if not the certainty of war, nobody should contemplate any action of that kind in the Far East unless they were convinced they had an overwhelming force to back their policy. He pointed out that in the League of Nations there were only two great naval Powers, Britain and France, and an overwhelming force did not exist. Any course of action in the Far East must depend on the co-operation of other nations besides members of the League.

Mr. Eden said he was convinced there would be no assurance of a lasting peace in the world until international order was generally accepted by nations and some limitation of armaments formed part of that acceptance. Mr. Eden declared: "We have got to live through this period of acute uncertainty."

BRITAIN'S INTERESTS

Continuing, Mr. Eden said Britain had great interests in the Far East, not incompatible with those of other nations there, which they would do their utmost to defend.

"In our view the present conflict will inevitably bring great impoverishment to the Far East and to every nation there, whatever their immediate military gains may be. Three principles must guide us. First we must do all we honourably can to secure the restoration of peace; secondly we must do our full share with others to fulfil our international obligations; and thirdly we must protect our own interests, and of course, British territory."

IN TOUCH WITH U.S.

Mr. Eden emphasised that the Government was constantly and daily closely consulting the Government of the United States, and the fact that the British and American governments had repeatedly taken parallel or similar action indicated the closeness of such collaboration. It would be wrong, with the world as it is today, if they were to deny their own authority or to belittle the firmness and significance of their friendships. Britain was not without friends in the world, said Mr. Eden, and referred to France, the United States, as well as the Balkan Ententes, with each of which England was in close and intimate relations of friendship.

Mr. Eden said that most important of all were the relations of the British Commonwealth with the United States. There was not, and could not be, any question of treaty or entanglements, but it was a true community outlook which could prove to be an invaluable asset in the maintenance of peace which was the first and greatest desire of the peoples of the British Commonwealth and the United States alike.

NO CAUSE FOR DEFEATISM

The Foreign Secretary concluded by observing that though the difficulties were great, there was no cause for defeatism. Britain had weathered worse anxieties and nobody should make the mistake of thinking the spirit and tenacity of the British people was in any way changed in recent years. "We must seek to be patient, yet firm and conciliatory, without being defeatist, and continue to arm because that was the only way to get an arms agreement. That policy the country will endorse and it is a policy the Government will continue to pursue" (loud Ministerial cheers).

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HEIAN MARU ... 22nd Jan., 1938

NEW YORK via Panama, Friday, 31st Dec.
NOTO MARU ... 24th Jan. 1938
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HAKODATE MARU ... 10th Jan., 1938
TOYOKA MARU ... 27th Jan., 1938

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Blackthorn (Thoresen & Co.), British steamer, Captain Reid, 2,703 tons, arrived on September 9 from Portland. Lying at North Point.

Burdwan (P. & O. S.N. Co.), British steamer, Capt. E. Jackson, 3,227 tons, arrived Dec. 16 from Longview Ore. Lying at North Point.

Chengtu (Butterfield & Swire), British steamer, Captain B. C. Finch, 1,333 tons, arrived on December 7 from Saigon. Lying at Stonecutters.

Cleveland (Thoresen & Co.), American steamer, Capt. E. Jackson, 3,227 tons, arrived Dec. 16 from Longview Ore. Lying at North Point.

Delagua Maru (N. Y. K.), Japanese steamer, Captain H. Kageshima, 4,373 tons, arrived December 16 from Singapore. Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Diomed (Butterfield & Swire), British steamer, Capt. H. D. Blaney, 4,454 tons, arrived Dec. 14 from Singapore. Berthing at Holt's Wharf.

Elax (A. P. C.), British steamer, Captain C. W. Turner, 4,377 tons, arrived on Dec. 16 from Tarakan, fuel oil, etc. Lying at North Point.

Emmy (J. M. & Co.), Greek steamer, Captain J. Michailianis, 2,474 tons, Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Empress of Asia (C. P. S.), British steamer, Capt. G. Gould, 8,883 tons, left Yokohama on Dec. 19 at 2 p.m., is due at Vancouver on Dec. 27 at 2 p.m., leaves Vancouver on January 3 at 11 a.m. and is due at Hong Kong on Jan. 27 (Thursday) at a.m.

Empress of Canada (C. P. S.), British steamer, Capt. W. T. Kinley, 12,811 tons, arrived Hong Kong December 22 from Manila, general cargo, berthing at Kowloon Wharf. She will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu on Dec. 24 at 5 p.m.

Empress of Japan (C. P. S.), British steamer, Captain L. Douglas, 15,725 tons, arrived at Vancouver on Dec. 14 at 2/4 p.m. and leaves Vancouver on Dec. 25 at 11 a.m. She is due at Hong Kong on January 14 at a.m. and will proceed to Kowloon Dock for annual overhaul after discharge of cargo.

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Kitano Maru (N.Y.K.), Japanese steamer, Capt. K. Fukuda, 4,321 tons, arrived Dec. 15 from Manila, general cargo. Mooring at buoy No. A7.

Lee Sang (J. M. & Co.), British steamer, Captain C. M. Cair, 972 tons, arrived Dec. 21 from Swatow, general cargo. Mooring at buoy No. B10.

Lucrow (B. & S.), British steamer, Capt. E. Johnson, 1,221 tons, arrived here Dec. 21 from Swatow, general cargo. Mooring at buoy No. B10.

Lyceum (W. F. Sing), British steamer, Capt. E. Holmes, 1,734 tons, arrived on December 22 from Saigon. Mooring at buoy No. B9.

Mahela (Thoresen & Co.), Norwegian steamer, Captain Thoresenfeldt, 840 tons, arrived on December 18 from Bangkok. Mooring at buoy No. B10.

Mention (Butterfield & Swire), British steamer, is expected to arrive here from Singapore on Dec. 24 at 8 a.m.

Mui Hock (Chin Sang Hong), Norwegian steamer, Captain P. Ellertsen, 1,305 tons, arrived December 22 from Saigon. Lying at Stonecutters.

Norviken (J. M. & Co.), Norwegian steamer, Captain J. H. 773 tons, arrived on November 18 from Amoy. Lying at Lai Chi Kok.

Paula (A. P. C.), Dutch steamer, Captain A. J. Moerman, 1,319 tons, arrived on November 18 from Amoy. Lying at Lai Chi Kok.

Proteus (Wing Fung Cheung), Norwegian steamer, Captain P. 1,025 tons, arrived December 21 from Saigon. Cleared December 21 for Shanghai.

Queen Adelaide (Doddwell & Co.), British steamer, Captain C. H. Redford, 2,923 tons, arrived on December 20 from San Pedro. Lying at Junk Bay.

Rampura (P. & O. S.N. Co.), British steamer, left Shanghai on December 21, and is due here on December 23 at about 10 a.m. She will moor at buoy No. A1.

R.C. Rickmers (Rickmers & Co.), German steamer, Captain R. 4,192 tons, arrived on December 19 from Manila. Lying at Stonecutters.

Sandviken (J. M. & Co.), British steamer, Capt. P. Heesch, 1,775 tons, arrived Dec. 17 from Singapore, gen. cargo. Mooring at buoy No. B27.

Scharnhorst (Schichor & Co.), German steamer, Captain R. Pries, 10,712 tons, is expected to arrive here from Shanghai on Dec. 25 at 7 a.m. and will dock at the Kowloon Wharf. She is expected to sail on the same day at 10 p.m. for Europe via Manila, Singapore and Java.

Seistan (Douglas & Co.), British steamer, Capt. R. C. Creer, 1,571 tons, arrived Dec. 18 from Campha, coal. Berthing at H.K. Electric Wharf.

Shun Chih (W. F. Sing), British steamer, Capt. W. Lee, 1,173 tons, arrived on December 15 from Swatow. Mooring at buoy No. C1.

Silverwulf (Furness & Co.), British steamer, Capt. J. Smith, 3,656 tons, arrived Dec. 14 from New York via Manila, g. cargo. Berthing at Kowloon Wharf.

Sinking (Butterfield & Swire), British steamer, Captain Gamble, 1,616 tons, arrived December 21 from Haiphong. Mooring at buoy No. B23.

Sirdhana (M. M. & Co.), British steamer, Capt. J. G. Radge, 4,835 tons, arrived Dec. 22 from Singapore, general cargo. Berthing at Kowloon Wharf. Cleared on or about Friday, Dec. 24, at 7 a.m. for Amoy, Kobe and Osaka.

Szechuen (Butterfield & Swire), British steamer, Captain J. Atkins, 1,594 tons, arrived Dec. 19 from Amoy, gen. cargo. Mooring at buoy No. B21.

Tai Poo Sek (Tai Fung & Co.), French steamer, Capt. J. Bonnamour, 1,219 tons, arrived Dec. 21 from C. C. Wan. Mooring at buoy No. C1.

Tahama (M. M. & Co.), British steamer, Captain D. R. C. Sinclair, 3,844 tons, Lying at Tai Koo Dock.

Travo (Melchers & Co.), German steamer, is expected to arrive here on January 14 from Shanghai, and will probably sail for Europe on the same day.

Turbo (A. P. C.), British steamer, Capt. J. Rendall, 2,878 tons, arrived December 17 from Balikpapan, fuel oil. Cleared Dec. 21 for Tarakan.

Unita (Doddwell & Co.), Norwegian steamer, Capt. H. Kvam, 2,315 tons, Lying at Lai Chi Kok.

Van Heutz (J. C. J. Line), Dutch steamer, Captain G. A. Beruts, 2,749 tons, arrived Dec. 22 from Amoy & Swatow. Mooring at buoy No. A3.

Vardana (A. P. C.), Norwegian steamer, Capt. F. Larson, 1,803 tons, Lying at North Point.

Wing Wo (Tai Fung & Co.), Portuguese steamer, Capt. I. d. de Lemos, 480 tons, arrived Dec. 18 from K. C. Wan. Berthing at Sinking Wharf.

Yachow (Butterfield & Swire), British steamer, Captain D. Wilson, 1,330 tons, arrived on December 21 from Tsingtao. Mooring at buoy No. B1.

Yuen Sang (J. M. & Co.), British steamer, Captain W. J. Lawrence, 1,933 tons, arrived December 21 from Kobe. Mooring at buoy No. A5.

CLEARANCES

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22.

Hollow for Swatow.
Norviken for Hongkong.
Helios for Swatow.
Kanchow for Shanghai.
Lee Sang for Swatow.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21.

Proteus for Shanghai.
Turbo for Tarakan.

IN RADIO TOUCH

The following is the list of ships expected to be in wireless communication with Hong Kong Radio:

Jepore, Luchow, Kalapoi, Founder, Proteus, Hong Peng, Hong Kheng, Minoo Maru, President McKinley, Hai Ching, Corfu, Soochow, Titan Rampura and King-yuan.

The local office of the Messageries Maritimes states that the s.s. D'Artagnan, which was scheduled to sail for Shanghai and Kobe on Christmas Day, has been delayed and will now sail on December 28.

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12 MONTHS FOR OUR AMBULANCE
ARMY OFFICERPerjury On Speed
Limit Summons

Desmond Charles Nigel Baring, 23, a Second-Lieutenant in the 3rd Carabiniers (Supplementary Reserve) and a grandson of the second Lord Fermoy, was sentenced to 12 months imprisonment for perjury. Jointly charged with him was Louis Owen Barnes, 58, book-maker's clerk of Dryden-street, Nottingham, who was sentenced to six months.

Baring, whose address was given as The Limes, Braunstone, Rutland, and Barnes pleaded guilty, and were sentenced in the second division.

The prosecution accepted their pleas and decided not to proceed on a charge against both of conspiring to commit perjury or on another charge against Baring of counselling and suborning Barnes to commit the offence.

GAVE FALSE NAME

Mr. T. N. Winning, prosecuting, said that the matter arose out of a case at Hutton police-court, in which Baring was summoned for exceeding the speed-limit. The case was dismissed, the men swearing that they were travelling in a race train at the time.

Baring had given a false name when stopped by a police officer, but when he appeared to produce a licence at a police station near his home his identity was discovered.

Mr. Norman Birkett, K.C., for Baring, suggested that it was an extraordinary foolish escapade on the part of a young man who had been convicted nine times in 1936 for exceeding the speed-limit.

Showing the incredible folly of youth he had undertaken the responsibility for Barnes being implicated.

Mr. Birkett added that he had been embarrassed by the number of people anxious to vouch for the good character of Baring.

PLEA FOR BARNES

Col. F. W. Bullock Marsham, who had been Baring's brigade commander, spoke of him as truthful and honourable.

For Barnes, Mr. Maurice Healy, K.C., urged that he had only attempted to be friendly and helpful to Baring. His wife died on the day of his arrest.

Mr. Justice Macnaghten said that the court could not take into account position or wealth in its decision. He ordered Baring to pay the costs of the prosecution.

JAPANESE GOODS
LEFT IN
SHIP'S HOLDDockers' Refusal To
Unload

Southampton stevedores who are members of the Transport and General Workers' Union refused to discharge 200 tons of Japanese cargo which arrived at Southampton in the Canadian Pacific liner Duchess of Richmond recently. With the goods still in her hold the liner is now on her way back to Canada.

About 200 stevedores were engaged discharging cargo from the liner when they discovered that among it was a considerable quantity of Japanese goods. The men held a meeting in a shed alongside the berth and decided to suspend the unloading of that part of the cargo which came from Japan. Later, the men returned to the ship and moved the Japanese goods from one part of the hold to another so that Canadian products could be landed. That part of the Japanese cargo which had been taken ashore was then returned to the hold. The 200 tons includes silk, cloth, novelties, and decorations chiefly intended for the Christmas markets.

The men are recommending other branches of the Transport and General Workers' Union to impose similar embargoes at other ports in the country.

JAPANESE AMMUNITION SET
AFIRE

Kaifeng, Dec. 22: A quantity of Japanese ammunition placed at the railway station at Changteh in north Homan was set afire yesterday by Chinese mobile units which are active around the city.

A surprise attack was launched by the Chinese mobile units on the Japanese troops stationed in the city, inflicting some 50 casualties upon them.

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Association and Brigade expenses are for one lady clerk; 3 coolies; and the Staff of the New Territory Clinics.

The Director's Secretary and members' time and services are voluntary. It is well to know that members of the Brigade are equipped with only one suit of summer Uniform; and the medical equipment necessary for First Aid work.

Five cents from each member of the community would more than supply the needs of the Organisation for one year.

To whom in the hour of Emergency will the community look for help and for supplementing essential services?

To fulfil anticipated requirements 1000 men are needed and to equip these some \$40,000 are needed.

The writer is aware of the numerous calls which are being made on the community at the present time and it is with the greatest diffidence that this S.O.S. call for much needed assistance is made.

Needs must when necessity drives.

THRILLING AIR
COMBAT

Japanese Driven Away

Nanchang, Dec. 22: The Nanchang populace witnessed this noon a thrilling air combat between 14 Japanese planes which came to raid the city and a squadron of Chinese planes which took to the air to meet them.

The attacking planes were later driven away by the Chinese machines. They, however, released about 30 light explosives before their departure. Most of the bombs landed in open spaces, causing insignificant damage.

Central News

MILLION-DOLLAR
NEWSREEL SCOOPPanay Sinking Films On
Way To U.S.

Manila, Dec. 22: Accompanied by his much-photographed U.S.S. Panay lifebelt, which he jumped from the sinking gunboat, Mr. Norman Alley, Universal newsreel cameraman, reached Cavite last night aboard the U.S.S. Stewart. He leaves tomorrow by the China Clipper for America with his "million-dollar scoop" of pictures.

In an interview, Mr. Alley said: "I was unable to photograph the actual machine-gunning of the sampans bearing the wounded to the shore as I was already ashore and had hidden the camera and films for fear the Japanese planes might land and confiscate them."

He added there was no sense in the Japanese claiming the bombing of the Panay was a mistake. Mr. Alley's film was developed in Manila last night, but he is not showing it to anyone.

HEADMASTER FAILED
IN DRIVING TESTS

Suicide From Depression

A headmaster's failure on two occasions to pass his driving test was suggested as the cause of his depression by Sir Samuel Brighouse, the South-West Lancashire coroner, at an inquest on John Pennington, 48, headmaster of St. Mary's and St. John's Roman Catholic School, Newton-le-Willows. He was found dead from throat wounds at his home.

Recording a verdict of suicide while of unsound mind, the coroner said, "This poor man seems for some reason to have been very depressed by the fact that he had failed twice to pass his driving test. To some people that might seem ludicrous, but on the other hand, to a person of fine feeling it might have a depressing effect."

JAPANESE TO TAKE OVER
SICCAMEI

Hankow, Dec. 22: Current rumours that the Japanese military authorities will take over the Catholic areas at Siccawei and Tushanwan, southwest of the French Concession are causing a frantic removal of Chinese residents in the areas to the Concession, according to a foreign report received here.

However, the report states that so far the Japanese have not taken any action in this connection.

Central News.

COURT SHOWN
HOW GIRL
WAS KILLEDDemonstration Of
Knotted Tie

Hospital students attending an inquest at Southwark recently were shown how a tie, attached to a blouse worn by a girl found dead, had been knotted.

The inquest, which was adjourned was on Marguerite Emily Webber, 15, of Cottingham-street, Kensington, S.E. Her mother is seriously ill in Lambeth Hospital.

Dr. Harry Edward Mansell, acting medical superintendent at Lambeth Hospital, said that the cause of the girl's death was asphyxia. A blow on the head had been inflicted before her strangulation.

MOTHER'S INJURIES

The father said that his daughter told him that she had telephoned her employer to say that she would not be going to work as her mother had fainted twice, and she was looking after her. His wife and daughter were very much attached to each other.

Mrs. Grace Mullins, a neighbour, said that she heard loud screaming and shouting coming from the Webbers' flat, and on entering found Mrs. Webber bleeding profusely. She was very excited, and her face was black and blue. She said, "My Peggy is upstairs. She is dead."

Alfred Edwin Lee, a caretaker, said he found Peggy Webber lying on a bed. She had a wound over her left eye, and what appeared to be a stocking was tied round her neck. He thought the girl had attempted to defend herself against an attack.

Det.-Insp. Leonard Clare said that a broken wooden handle was found at the side of the bed. The tie of the girl's blouse had been tightly knotted.

SUPERINTENDENT
NEW

For Chinwangtao Customs

Tientsin, Dec. 22: The so-called "Provisional Government of the Republic of China" formed in Peiping has recently appointed a new superintendent. Mr. She Mei-fang, to the Chinwangtao Customs, according to reliable foreign reports reaching here.

The bogus regime, the reports added, has also formed a New Tariff Research Commission with a view to revising the Chinese tariff in the North.

A reduction in the import duties on Japanese rayon and sugar and in the export duties on Chinese cotton and other goods has been decided upon, it was stated.

The new tariff will be enforced on January 1. How it will affect foreign goods cannot be ascertained for the present.

WEATHER REPORT

HONG KONG ROYAL
OBSERVATORY

10 a.m., Dec. 22.
Barometer (at sea level), 30.11 ins.

Temperature, 59 F.
Humidity, 88 per cent.
Wind Direction, East.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.

Temperature; maximum yesterday, 85 F.

Temperature; minimum last night, 57 F.

Rainfall for 24 hours, ending 10th day, nil.

Total rainfall since January 1, 82.49 ins.

Against an average of 84.84 ins.

Sunset to-night, 5.44 p.m.

Sunrise to-morrow, 6.59 a.m.

4 p.m., Dec. 22.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.94.

Temperature, 61. Humidity, 84.

Wind Direction, E/N. Wind Force (Beaufort), 5. Maximum temperature, 61. Minimum temperature, 55.

Rainfall, nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From December 23 to 29, 1937

High Water. Low Water.

Day of Week. Date. Month. Hong Kong Standard Time. Height. Hong Kong Standard Time. Height.

Thurs. 23. 10.50. 14.32. 5.2. 18.40. 4.0.

Fri. 24. 01.27. 6.2. 08.08. 3.2.

Sat. 25. 02.27. 6.4. 08.55. 2.7.

Sun. 26. 04.04. 4.8. 09.39. 3.0.

Mon. 27. 05.42. 4.3. 00.01. 3.5.

Tues. 28. 07.17. 4.2. 01.08. 2.9.

Wed. 29. 08.30. 4.1. 01.53. 2.3.

19.18. 7.0. 19.08. 3.6.

FOREIGN MAILS

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

On Saturday the 25th December, the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office will be open from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. The Sheungwan Branch Post Office will be open from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. and also from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. and the other Branch Post Offices will be entirely closed. There will be one collection from the pillar-boxes, one delivery of ordinary correspondence as on Sundays and one delivery of registered correspondence at 11 a.m.

On Monday the 27th December the General Post Office, Kowloon Central Post Office and other Branch Post Offices will be closed, but postage stamps may be obtained at the back counter of the G. P. O. from 8 a.m. to noon. There will be one collection from the pillar boxes as on Sundays. Ordinary correspondence will be sent out for delivery at 11.30 a.m. and 4.00 p.m. Registered correspondence at 4.00 p.m. only.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the Holidays.

HONG KONG RADIO TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

XLT Telegrams conveying Christmas and New Year Greetings will be accepted by the Radio Office for transmission via Radio during the period from 14th December, 1937 to 6th January 1938, both dates inclusive.

(a) The charge for telegrams to places in China will be based on ONE FOURTH of the ordinary rate and to other places on ONE THIRD of the ordinary rate.

(b) The minimum charge for all places will be for ten words.

Further particulars may be obtained on application at the Radio Office.

Air Mail Service to Shanghai is temporarily suspended.

Christmas and New Year cards bearing not more than five written words and enclosed in open envelopes are accepted by the Post Office at the rate for printed matter, i.e. 5 cents per 2 ounces, for all countries. Hongkong, China and Macao at 2 cents per 2 ounces.

Envelopes must not be closed.

Letters and Postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

INWARD MAILS

FROM	PER	DATE
STRAITS and HONGKONG	Musnam	23rd Dec.
SWATOW	Neuchowang	23rd Dec.
STRAITS, MANILA and London (London date, 11th November)	Hemmon	24th Dec.
JAPAN and SHANGHAI	Ha-pura	24th Dec.
STRAITS	Burkina	24th Dec.
JAPAN	Atsuta Maru	24th Dec.
CAICUTTA and STRAITS	Bussan	24th Dec.
SAIGON	D'Arignon	25th Dec.
HAIPHONG	G. G. Paul Dourner	25th Dec.
STRAITS	Conte Verde	25th Dec.
JAPAN	Devalon	25th Dec.
JAPAN and SHANGHAI	Scharnhorst	25th Dec.
SHANGHAI, FOOCHEW and SWATOW	Yingchow	25th Dec.
HAIPHONG and SWATOW	Pan-American	26th Dec.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 15th December	Always Plane	26th Dec.
SAIGON	Imperial	27th Dec.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 18th December.	Always Plane	27th Dec.
JAPAN	Rakuyo Maru	27th Dec.
HAIPHONG	Canton	28th Dec.
STRAITS	Titan	28th Dec.
STRAITS	Agapenor	28th Dec.
JAPAN and SHANGHAI	Alhos II	28th Dec.
STRAITS	Orme	28th Dec.

OUTWARD MAILS

REGISTERED AND PARCEL MAILS are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 1 p.m. on the previous day.

FOR	PER	DATE AND TIME
THURSDAY		Thursday 23rd,
Manila	Silvernaut	8.30 AM
Swatow	atching	2.07 PM
Bangkok	Arden	2.30 PM
Fort Bayard	Ty Poo Suk	2.30 PM
Shanghai	Szechuen	3.30 PM
Amoy	Sirathana	5.00 PM
Air Mail for Wuchow, Kwelin, Kwelyang and Chungking by the "C.N.A.C., Airways Direct Service."	C.N.A.C. Plane	Kowloon P.O. Reg. 23rd 5.00 PM Ord. 23rd 5.00 PM G.P.O. Reg. 23rd 5.00 PM Ord. 24th 6.00 AM
FRIDAY		Friday 24th,
Samsui and Wuchow	Chung On	8.15 AM
Swatow and Bangkok	Kalgan	8.30 AM
Air Mail for North China (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (To further points by surface transport as Services permits).	Eurasia Plane	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 9.00 AM Ord. 9.30 AM
Kongmoon	On Lee	10.00 AM
Japan and EUROPE via Siberia	Corju	10.30 AM
Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A. Central and South America and EUROPE via Vancouver B.C. (Parcel for Canada only)—due Vancouver B.C. 12th Jan. 1938	Emp. of Canada	1.00 PM
Hohow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kingyuan	9.15 PM
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 6th Jan. 1938	Alinta Maru	3.00 PM
SATURDAY		Saturday 25th,
Air Mail for North China (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (To further points by surface transport as Services permits).	Eurasia Plane	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 9.00 AM Ord. 9.30 AM
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles 21st January 1938	Ranpura	9.45 AM
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Service"—due Amsterdam, 2nd Jan., 38	Ranpura	9.45 AM
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Formosa	Hongkong Maru	9.00 AM

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